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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-November agricultural exports were 9 percent greater in 1959 than in the same period of 1958. Exports during July-November were valued at \$1,752 million in 1959 and \$1,605 million in 1958. Largest percentage gains occurred in vegetable oils and oilseeds (45 percent), animals and products (28 percent), feed grains (13 percent), and fruits and vegetables (12 percent). After unusually heavy exports in November, cotton shipments in July-November were behind by only 8 percent. Wheat and tobacco shipments were each down by 5 percent.

### U.S. agricultural exports, July-November

Commodity	1958-59 \$ Million	1959-60 \$ Million	Chg. %
Cotton	191	175	- 8
Grains & feeds 2/	588	612	+ 4
Wheat & flour 2/	279	265	- 5
Feed grains 2/ 3/	214	241	+13
Rice, milled 2/	48	49	+ 2
Tobacco, unmf.	203	193	- 5
Veg. oils & seeds 2/	173	251	+45
Soybeans	89	124	+39
Ed. veg. oils 2/ 4/	51	89	+75
Fruits & preps. 2/	108	119	+10
Vegs. & preps. 2/	52	61	+17
Animals & prods. 2/	195	249	+28
Fats & oils	64	77	+20
Meats & products	39	50	+28
Hides & skins	22	29	+32
Dairy products 2/	40	53	+33
Private relief 5/	52	43	-17
Other 2/	43	49	+14
TOTAL	1,605	1,752	+ 9

November exports in 1959 were 19 percent above those of a year earlier. Exports totaled \$406 million in 1959 compared with \$342 million in 1958. Gains in cotton, feed grains, rice, vegetable oils and oilseeds, fruits, vegetables, and animal products were partly offset by declines in wheat and tobacco.

Government export programs accounted for one-third of July-September shipments. Exports under Public Law 480 and Mutual Security programs amounted to \$330 million in the July-September quarter of fiscal year 1960, \$35 million higher than in the like quarter of 1959. The largest change was the \$36 million gain in barter which totaled \$53 million in July-September 1959. Exports of wheat and flour represented 40 percent of Government-financed exports; feed grains and

1/ Partly revised. 2/ Excludes private relief. 3/ Excludes products. 4/ Cottonseed and soybean. 5/ Mostly CCC donations.



grain products, including rice, 22 percent; vegetable oils and oilseeds, 16 percent; cotton, 8 percent; and other commodities (principally tobacco and dairy products) 14 percent.

**COTTON** Cotton exports in November exceeded 650 thousand bales. Exports, excluding linters, amounted to 652 thousand running bales in November 1959, more than double the 314 thousand in November 1958. November 1959 exports were 66 percent ahead of October's 392 thousand bales. Some of the factors favoring increased shipments this year over last are (1) more competitive U. S. prices at lower levels, (2) increased foreign consumption, and (3) reduced foreign production and beginning stocks.

**GRAINS** Wheat export prospects for this fiscal year have improved. Wheat exports for fiscal year 1960, including USDA welfare donations, now are expected to approach last year's 443 million bushels. The previous forecast, made in November 1959, was 410 million bushels. The upward revision in the export estimate results primarily from new agreements under Title I of Public Law 480, such as that with Turkey, which were not anticipated earlier in the year. July-November 1959 shipments of about 168 million bushels, including donations, were about equal to exports during the same period in the previous year. November shipments, including donations, were 30 million bushels in 1959 compared with 34 million bushels in 1958.

November feed grain exports continued at high level. Exports in November 1959 amounted to 1,191 thousand short tons, excluding USDA welfare donations, compared with 981 thousand in November 1958. July-November shipments totaled 5.6 million tons in 1959 compared with 4.7 million in 1958. The improvement in exports represents mainly continuing increased needs due to expanding livestock and poultry production abroad; however, the drought in Europe also has helped to raise exports.

Increase in milled rice exports is accounted for by Asia, Europe, and Africa. July-November 1959 exports, excluding USDA welfare donations, totaled 745 million pounds, 20 percent greater than the 620 million pounds a year earlier.

**TOBACCO** July-November tobacco export volume ran 6 percent less than a year earlier. Following a 5 million pound drop in November unmanufactured tobacco exports from 1958 to 1959, July-November exports totaled 255 million pounds in 1959 compared with 272 million in 1958. Exports have been holding up fairly well although higher U. S. prices relative to foreign prices have tended to encourage increased purchases from competitors.

**FATS AND OILS** Lard and tallow exports continued heavy in November. Lard exports of 71 million pounds in November 1959 were 31 million more than a year earlier. Tallow exports of 123 million pounds in November 1959 were 18 million more than in November 1958. The sharp increase in U. S. hog slaughter during the past year and lower prices have strongly stimulated lard exports while increased marketings of fatter cattle have resulted in larger tallow output available for export at competitive prices.



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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Although progress has been made during the past 2 years in liberalization of nontariff import restrictions against U. S. farm products, large areas of discrimination and quantitative import controls still remain.

Examples: ...United Kingdom--certain fruits and fruit products, pork products (except lard and variety meats), and tobacco. ...France--grains, oilseeds and seed oils, certain fruits and vegetables, certain meat products, and tobacco. ...West Germany--grains, meat products, and certain fresh and canned deciduous fruits. ...Austria--grains and poultry. ...Italy--grains, meat products, vegetable oils, fresh and canned fruits and fruit juices, and poultry. ...Japan--lard, tallow, soybeans, raisins, and hides and skins.

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Cuba's new economic reform policies are affecting U. S. agricultural trade with that country. Her imports of U. S. products were about the same in the first half of 1959 as in the first half of 1958 but in the third quarter dropped from \$50 million to \$31 million, reflecting the "buy Cuban products" campaign and a shortage of foreign exchange.

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Japan's imports of 7 most important agricultural products in trade with U.S. amounted to \$226 million during the first 9 months of 1959, down nearly one-fourth from a year earlier. Decreases occurred for wheat, barley, hides and skins, and cotton while increases took place for corn, soybeans, and tallow. Japanese imports of these products from all sources reached \$572 million, up nearly 2 percent from a year earlier.

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Japan's imports of soybeans in its fiscal year ending March 31, 1960 are expected to reach a record 40 million bushels according to revised Japanese plans. This is 29 percent more than the 31 million bushels imported in the previous year. As trade between Japan and Communist China does not appear likely to be reopened in the near future, a major part of the purchases will be made in the United States.

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Britain's outbreaks of fowl pest this year have become more critical in the early winter months and have restricted poultry supplies available to consumers. If the epidemic worsens, Britain may buy more U. S. canned and frozen cooked chicken--items recently liberalized.

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A fact-finding mission, consisting of specialists nominated by member countries of the Wheat Utilization Committee and FAO, is being organized to explore the possibilities of making more effective use of wheat in the Far East. The Committee, established by Food for Peace Conferences in Washington last spring, includes Argentina, Australia, Canada, France, and the United States, with FAO as observer and advisor.



Soybean export gains resumed in November after no rise in October. Soybean exports totaled 20 million bushels in November 1959, 4 million more than in November 1958. October shipments were 12 million bushels in each year. Foreign supplies have continued limited.

November shipments of cottonseed and soybean oils in 1959 were well ahead of 1958. November 1959 shipments were 98 million pounds, well above the 35 million in November 1958. July-November shipments amounted to 722 million pounds in 1959 compared with 389 million in 1958. Shipments under Title I of Public Law 480 were heavy. At the same time, exports for dollars rose sharply, probably because of a need to replenish stocks abroad and of limited supplies available from other sources.

FRUITS Lower prices stimulated dried fruit exports. On top of an 18 million pound gain in October, combined exports of dried prunes and raisins showed a 9 million pound increase in November 1959 over 1958. July-November exports were 80 million pounds in 1958 and 65 million in 1959. Both raisins and prunes were up. The improvement reflected larger domestic supplies available to European purchasers at lower export prices.

PULSES Excellent markets and less competition nearly doubled July-November bean exports. A 38 million pound increase in exports of dried beans in November 1959 brought the July-November export total (including USDA welfare donations) to 209 million pounds in 1959 compared with 108 million in 1958, a rise of 94 percent. Conditions were excellent in the usual Latin American markets, and there was less competition in Europe. In Latin America, Mexico took many more beans in this period due largely to the drought, and Cuba took a near record amount. At the same time, the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway permitted a cut in freight rates which encouraged early-season sales to European buyers.

MEATS Variety meats were the main factor in meat export gain. July-November exports of meats and meat products registered a value gain of 26 percent in 1959 over 1958, rising to \$50 million. There were increases in practically all categories, but the principal ones occurred in variety meats, primarily beef and pork livers. Principal markets were in Europe.

DAIRY PRODUCTS Lower export prices and European drought stimulated dairy product exports. July-November exports of dairy products, excluding USDA welfare donations, were valued at \$53 million in 1959, one-third more than in 1958. Nearly half of the increase was due to nonfat dry milk exports, which increased sharply until mid-October under the stimulus of reduced export prices and unusually strong demand in Europe because of the drought. Although exports declined sharply from October to November following CCC's October 13 announcement to discontinue all export sales, November exports in 1959 ran 8 million pounds ahead of 1958.

POULTRY PRODUCTS July-November poultry exports were up; shell eggs, down. Extending a sharp increase in poultry exports, shipments of all poultry meat in November 1959 were 75 percent above those of a year earlier. For July-November, these exports totaled 69 million pounds in 1959, 138 percent more than the 29 million in 1958. July-November exports



DOMESTIC EXPORTS: November 1958 and 1959 and July-November 1958 and 1959 a/

Commodity exported	Unit:	November				July-November			
		1958	Quantity	1959	Value	1958	Quantity	1959	Value
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	dollars
Cheese	Lb.	1,382	4,784	1,741	533	6,365	7,548	1,000	1,000
Milk, evaporated	Lb.	29,793	2,834	427	4,910	55,786	51,315	2,231	2,942
Milk, whole, dried	Lb.	3,148	2,997	1,737	1,690	10,653	11,024	8,997	7,913
Nonfat dry milk	Lb.	11,472	19,402	2,291	1,886	75,583	142,788	5,796	6,371
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	2,209	3,848	1,643	1,130	13,369	10,043	10,493	16,442
Beef and veal, total b/	Lb.	2,161	3,117	1,100	790	10,625	13,509	6,256	4,980
Pork, total b/	Lb.	5,789	7,979	2,281	2,170	22,598	34,035	3,950	4,933
Lard	Lb.	40,352	70,722	6,497	5,407	165,915	293,746	8,829	9,715
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	104,592	123,468	8,718	8,758	448,439	607,567	38,126	27,225
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	314	652	77,484	45,080	1,384	1,501	191,112	175,052
Apples, fresh	Lb.	12,018	14,885	981	2,189	38,249	50,699	3,307	4,136
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	25,695	34,871	2,447	2,189	123,714	201,750	11,707	14,612
Prunes, dried	Lb.	5,044	11,512	2,737	1,301	36,215	37,851	7,639	8,931
Raisins and currants	Lb.	12,300	13,768	2,285	3,071	28,752	42,063	6,877	7,462
Fruits, canned *	Lb.	16,872	19,080	2,689	2,602	168,411	202,866	25,496	28,085
Orange juice	Gal.	909	1,007	1,502	1,370	4,265	4,152	8,831	8,156
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	6,678	8,036	7,922	7,922	53,992	59,857	59,784	60,723
Corn, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	20,453	23,340	29,421	25,806	79,479	89,173	103,481	114,921
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	7,715	9,253	10,384	9,814	38,103	43,734	44,835	47,955
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	1,985	5,375	3,798	1,440	9,190	25,406	5,937	16,997
Rice, milled, excludes paddy	Lb.	61,344	108,202	7,617	5,288	618,974	745,463	47,572	49,115
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	710	439	558	949	6,204	2,192	7,668	2,680
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	25,927	21,818	36,616	44,081	136,237	134,148	234,622	229,621
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)	Bag	2,233	1,925	7,449	9,251	10,625	8,986	44,464	34,924
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	1	1,174	3,978	5	4,610	6,785	13,453	21,861
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	15,789	20,415	46,100	35,334	42,384	54,289	98,030	124,181
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	20,414	51,831	5,385	2,337	355,401	477,307	45,891	53,758
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	14,515	46,378	4,481	1,699	33,159	244,880	4,862	35,009
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	54,661	49,748	37,298	40,619	271,782	255,481	203,174	192,789
Beans, dried	Lb.	13,156	50,612	3,689	1,107	108,000	209,293	8,448	16,032
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	8,007	20,099	1,322	524	70,742	99,526	4,216	6,577
Potatoes, white	Lb.	21,754	13,356	336	471	136,624	127,879	3,555	3,510
Vegetables, canned *	Lb.	5,545	6,548	913	967	44,962	39,884	7,145	6,033
Food exported for relief, etc.					10,518			51,787	43,493
Other agricultural commodities					59,661			253,954	319,927
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL					341,661			1,604,901	1,752,000
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES					1,581,561			7,300,578	7,225,179

a/ Preliminary. b/ Product weight.

\* Includes only those classes which are shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly issues of "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.



**IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION):** October 1958 and 1959 and July-October 1958 and 1959 a/

Commodity Imported	Unit:	October			July-October		
		Quantity	Value	Value	Quantity	Value	Value
		1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
SUPPLEMENTARY							
Cattle, dutiable	No.	153	41	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Cheese	Lb.	5,755	4,167	18,112	4,394	45,698	16,377
Hides and skins	Lb.	11,650	11,358	3,000	2,048	8,080	9,394
Beef and veal, total b/	Lb.	41,019	48,452	4,410	6,145	17,356	27,538
Pork, total b/	Lb.	15,989	11,858	14,139	17,099	61,190	94,317
Wool, unmf'd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	7,161	10,189	10,776	7,655	42,327	33,366
Cotton, unmf'd., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bales	12	2	5,297	6,793	21,208	27,176
Jute and jute butts, unmf'd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	d/	3	1,584	185	23,304	19,598
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,176	893	9	327	434	1,853
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	7,987	8,592	1,713	1,256	7,116	5,882
Pineapple juice	Gal.	464	352	950	973	4,009	4,915
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	1,713	2,347	327	273	825	758
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	195	189	2,374	3,059	6,275	6,931
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	402	292	177	167	1,624	579
Feeds and fodders	Bu.	d/	d/	618	465	2,449	2,341
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	34,767	65,504	1,391	710	4,621	2,397
Copra	Lb.	47,269	43,765	6,870	5,873	22,567	26,117
Oils, fats, waxes, vegetable expressed	Lb.	d/	d/	2,800	5,768	15,974	23,698
Seeds, field and garden	Lb.	287	205	8,090	7,240	31,702	31,217
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Ton	21,020	12,190	1,151	1,757	3,719	5,735
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Gal.	9,698	11,330	32,031	22,900	170,338	179,699
Tobacco, cigarette leaf	Lb.	4,435	2,810	2,131	1,256	11,044	9,222
Tobacco, other	Lb.	153	482	7,155	8,142	29,348	28,899
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.	d/	d/	3,143	2,536	11,398	10,383
Other supplementary				9	28	96	193
Total supplementary				31,828	25,332	120,687	114,658
COMPLEMENTARY							
Silk, raw	Lb.	430	568	1,480	2,130	4,633	9,523
Wool, unmf'd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	24,930	21,362	10,816	11,227	25,917	41,501
Bananas	Bunch	4,455	4,286	5,860	5,954	21,387	23,759
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	17,518	18,027	7,171	5,853	30,972	39,009
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	271,605	194,842	109,007	65,727	352,862	363,692
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	329	344	729	645	3,204	2,340
Tea	Lb.	8,546	9,130	3,988	4,292	15,122	15,694
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	7,670	7,325	3,046	2,793	11,712	10,733
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	13	8	1,742	1,320	4,924	6,246
Rubber, crude	Lb.	101,502	108,368	22,901	36,721	74,465	135,831
Other complementary				8,183	8,082	26,956	32,921
Total complementary				174,923	144,744	572,154	681,249
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL				335,008	277,125	1,235,543	1,364,489
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,153,274	1,214,551	4,267,610	4,989,993

a/ Preliminary. b/ Product weight. c/ Reported in value only. d/ Less than 500.

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

Commodity imported	Unit:	November			July-November		
		Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value	
		1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
SUPPLEMENTARY		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cattle, dutiable	No.	143	59	16,027	5,991	188	61,725
Cheese	Lb.	6,277	6,576	3,014	3,312	24,988	11,094
Hides and skins	Lb.	9,920	10,766	3,953	5,746	66,703	21,308
Beef and veal, total b/	Lb.	38,181	37,805	13,392	13,166	303,525	74,582
Pork, total b/	Lb.	16,931	11,875	10,856	7,932	63,396	53,183
Wool, unmf'd., excl. linters (actual weight)	Lb.	10,656	8,933	7,459	5,894	48,495	28,668
Cotton, unmf'd., excl. linters (480 lb.)	Bale: d/	1	d/	54	25	124	23,358
Jute and jute butts, unmf'd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	994	1,202	1,542	842	20	603
Olive oil in brine	Gal.	4,288	5,566	475	661	5,122	8,658
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	151	351	59	417	1,720	884
Pineapple juice	Gal.	1,402	2,563	1,950	3,306	7,753	8,225
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	171	186	160	175	832	1,784
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	527	697	820	875	2,150	3,269
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	c/	c/	1,209	702	c/	5,830
Feeds and fodders		c/	c/	6,960	6,068	c/	29,527
Nuts and preparations		Lb.	88,552	3,993	7,923	338,388	19,967
Copra	Lb.	39,618	41,138	6,877	6,763	245,665	31,621
Oils, fats, waxes, vegetable expressed	Lb.	c/	c/	1,393	2,079	235,970	38,579
Seeds, field and garden		Ton	165	30,593	17,869	1,800	5,112
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Ton	36,257	15,368	3,612	1,631	126,380	200,932
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Gal.	8,578	9,503	6,194	6,915	104,149	14,656
Tobacco, cigarette leaf	Lb.	3,031	3,216	2,361	2,734	48,396	35,541
Tobacco, other	Lb.	696	5,233	39	396	17,319	13,760
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.			31,009	27,437	2,389	135
Other supplementary				154,170	130,581		151,696
Total supplementary							813,822
COMPLEMENTARY							
Silk, raw	Lb.	585	726	1,971	2,826	1,897	6,604
Wool, unmf'd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	17,580	11,660	8,115	6,138	75,613	34,032
Bananas	Bunch	3,538	4,346	5,121	6,058	19,001	26,508
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	18,904	32,230	7,533	10,236	93,435	38,506
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	249,450	214,415	100,614	74,498	1,072,892	453,476
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	415	414	933	803	1,693	4,138
Tea	Lb.	8,555	8,131	4,074	4,260	41,391	19,196
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	6,934	7,005	2,296	2,360	35,665	14,008
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	7	9	953	1,541	44	5,877
Rubber, crude	Lb.	93,674	109,411	21,985	37,206	433,143	96,450
Other complementary				6,944	7,767		33,898
Total complementary				160,539	153,693		732,693
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL				314,709	284,274		1,550,253
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,084,829	1,262,490		5,352,439
							6,252,482

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.



of shell eggs totaled 10 million dozen in 1959 compared with 13 million in 1958. Venezuela in late 1958 took actions which restricted imports in an endeavor to stimulate its own production. Also, Canada and Denmark offered their eggs at prices more competitive than those of the United States.

## IMPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Agricultural imports showed declines in November. Agricultural imports in November declined from \$315 million in 1958 to \$284 million in 1959. The decline in value was \$23 million for supplementary (competitive) and \$7 million for complementary products (items unlike those produced by U. S. agriculture). Principal reduction in the complementary group was in coffee while those in the supplementary group were in dutiable cattle and cane sugar.

July-November agricultural imports were 6 percent larger in 1959. Agricultural imports in July-November were \$1,649 million in 1959, \$99 million above those of a year earlier. Complementary imports increased \$102 million, or 14 percent, while supplementary imports declined by \$4 million, or 1 percent.

Rubber, carpet wool, and cocoa beans led in July-November complementary gain. July-November complementary imports increased from \$733 million in 1958 to \$834 million in 1959. Crude natural rubber, carpet wool, and cocoa beans accounted for more than 90 percent of the increase. Rubber alone accounted for 75 percent of the total complementary gain.

Beef predominated in July-November supplementary imports. July-November supplementary imports declined from \$818 million in 1958 to \$814 million in 1959. Beef and veal, copra, and hides and skins showed the largest advances while major reductions were in dutiable cattle and pork.

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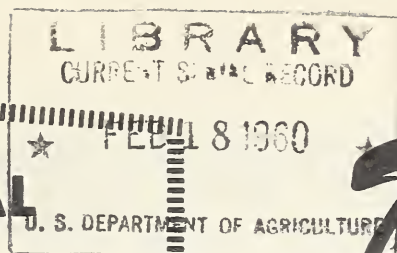
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U. S. agricultural exports in the first half of the current fiscal year were up 12 percent. U. S. agricultural exports during the July-December period of fiscal year 1959-60 totaled \$2,172 million compared with \$1,941 million in the same period during the previous fiscal year. The largest percentage gains were in vegetable oils and oilseeds (+43 percent), animal products (+25 percent), vegetables and preparations (+16 percent), and cotton (+14 percent). In addition, fruits and preparations advanced 9 percent, and grains and feeds, 5 percent. The increase in grain

### U.S. agricultural exports, July-December

Commodity	1958-59 \$ Million	1959-60 \$ Million	Chg. %
Cotton	231	263	+14
Grains & feeds 2/	713	752	+ 5
Wheat & flour 2/	336	323	- 4
Feed grains 2/ 3/	268	296	+10
Rice, milled 2/	52	55	+ 6
Tobacco, unmf.	240	236	- 2
Veg. oils & seeds 2/	212	304	+43
Soybeans	121	165	+36
Ed. veg. oils 2/ 4/	63	97	+54
Fruits & preps. 2/	126	137	+ 9
Vegs. & preps. 2/	63	73	+16
Animals & prods. 2/	235	293	+25
Fats & oils	75	92	+23
Meats & products	47	59	+26
Hides & skins	26	32	+23
Dairy products 2/	50	60	+20
Private relief 5/	67	52	-22
Other 2/	54	62	+15
TOTAL	1,941	2,172	+12

1/ Partly revised. 2/ Excludes private relief. 3/ Excludes products. 4/ Cottonseed and soybean. 5/ Mostly CCC donations.

exports, reflecting a boost of 6 percent in rice and 10 percent in feed grains, was partly offset by a reduction of 4 percent in wheat.

December exports were 25 percent larger in 1959 than in 1958. Exports chalked up another large monthly gain this fiscal year when they mounted to \$420 million in December 1959 compared with \$336 million in December 1958. Cotton accounted for 58 percent of the expansion; edible vegetable oils and oilseeds, 19 percent; and grains and feeds, 18 percent.

Exports for all of fiscal year 1959-60 are now estimated at \$4.2 billion. Improved prospects for exports have become sufficiently firm to warrant increasing the estimate of \$4 billion made at the National Agricultural Outlook Conference last November. The increase in this estimate to \$4.2 billion results mostly from better prospects



for cotton, wheat, feed grains, and soybeans. This level would be the second highest in history, exceeded only by the record \$4.7 billion in 1956-57 during the Suez crisis. Export value is expected to gain by 13 percent over 1958-59; and quantity, by 20 percent.

**COTTON** December 1959 cotton exports totaled 728 thousand bales. This brought the July-December figure to 2.2 million running bales in 1959, 29 percent ahead of the 1.7 million volume in 1958. Shipments this fiscal year are expected to total at least 6 million bales, about double the 3.1 million for 1958-59, according to revised estimates. The big up-surge reflects the competitive position pricewise of U. S. cotton in world markets, the upturn in world textile activity, and somewhat smaller availabilities of cotton in other exporting countries.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** July-December wheat exports were little changed from a year ago. July-December wheat and flour shipments, including USDA welfare donations, were 205 million bushels in 1959 compared with 204 million in 1958. Exports for the full fiscal year are expected to reach 440 million bushels, approaching the 443 million total in 1958-59. The upward revision in the estimate results from new agreements under Title I of Public Law 480, such as that with Turkey, which were not anticipated earlier in the year.

Government programs have been increasing rice exports to the Far East. July-December milled rice exports, excluding USDA welfare donations, totaled 840 million pounds in 1959 compared with 674 million in 1958. This represents a gain of 25 percent, which should stretch to 40 percent for the year as a whole. Cash sales are holding up well to Cuba, Europe, and the Middle East, and a substantially expanded movement has been underway to the Far East under Title I of Public Law 480.

Feed grain exports are headed for another impressive year. July-December shipments were 6.8 million short tons in 1959 compared with 5.9 million in 1958. The year's gain will be 5 to 10 percent over 1958-59, reflecting in part the increased demand in Europe because of the drought and in large measure the growing world demand for feed grains to increase livestock production and consumption as standards of living improve. U. S. annual exports have grown by 7.5 million tons in the last 4 years.

**VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS** Soybean exports have been especially active this fiscal year. July-December soybean exports were 72 million bushels in 1959 compared with 53 million in 1958. November and December 1959 shipments together totaled 38 million bushels. Seven years ago, annual exports were 30 million bushels; this fiscal year they are expected to total 130 million. Bigger exports this year have resulted largely from heavy demand for soybeans and meal, reflecting an expanding economy in Europe, drought in Europe last summer, and reduced availabilities from other sources.

Edible vegetable oils moved out at a record rate in July-December 1959. Shipments of soybean and cottonseed oils amounted to 797 million pounds in July-December 1959 compared with 478 million a year earlier. The improvement stemmed from a better market in Northern Europe and from a



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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Foreign market opportunities for U. S. farm products and existing export promotion activities are being studied in 7 major countries in the Far East by a team of 7 State Agricultural Extension Service representatives, accompanied by USDA officials. The group left January 29 and is scheduled to return March 7 to report findings through Federal and State extension services. A similar study was made last year in Europe.

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Foreign actions affecting U. S. farm product exports:

- ...France has liberalized dollar imports of natural honey, certain wines, day-old chicks, certain fatty acids, and pectin. (Dollar imports still not liberalized include poultry meat, beef, eggs, canned asparagus, peas, winter oranges, orange juice, canned and frozen fruit, lard, and state-traded items like grains, tobacco, edible oils, and oilseeds.)
- ...Italy has liberalized dollar imports of all live animals, butter, stone fruit, berries, dried prunes, certain minor grains, hops, pectin, and meat extracts. (Dollar imports still not liberalized include feed grains, soybeans, soybean oil, meats, honey, and canned fruit.)
- ...The Netherlands has liberalized dollar imports of seed rye, some rice, certain edible fats, and beet sugar.

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Recent Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced: ...Turkey: \$35 million for wheat, corn, and cottonseed and/or soybean oil. ...Israel: \$30 million for wheat and/or wheat flour, feed grains, cottonseed and/or soybean oil, cotton, rice, and tobacco. ...Greece: \$6 million for feed grains. ...India: \$33 million for cotton. ...Uruguay: \$6 million for corn and barley. ...Pakistan: \$26 million for wheat. (The last three supplement earlier agreements.)

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Market development activities carried out under Section 104(a) of Public Law 480 helped to increase U. S. poultry meat exports from 51 million pounds in 1958 to 125 million in 1959. Principal gains were in shipments to West Germany, Switzerland and the Netherlands, which increased purchases from 23 million pounds in 1958 to about 78 million in 1959. In 1955 they took less than 1 million pounds from the United States.

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With prospects continuing favorable for an expansion in world markets for U. S. fats and oils, the Soybean Council of America has obligated over \$250,000 of its funds in 1959-60 for the establishment of a 3-year, 35-nation market development agreement with FAS under Public Law 480. A number of promotional activities will be carried out to help expand foreign sales of U. S. soybeans and soybean products.



continued large movement under Public Law 480. Northern Europe's usual suppliers have smaller export availabilities this year. For the rest of 1959-60, exports will move at a reduced rate, with the year's total expected to be 1.3 billion pounds compared with 1.1 billion in 1958-59.

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES** Both fruit and vegetable exports gained this year. July-December shipments of fruits and preparations were \$137 million in 1959, 9 percent above 1958; vegetables and preparations, at \$73 million, were up 16 percent. All major fruits gained, some largely because of recent European trade liberalization. Dried beans and peas showed heavy gains. The high rate of economic activity abroad, together with European and U. S. supply conditions, underlies the current high level of U. S. exports of most fruits and vegetables.

**ANIMALS AND PRODUCTS** Exports of animals and animal products have been generally larger. The overall 25 percent increase from \$235 million in July-December 1958 to \$293 million in July-December 1959 included advances in meats and products, fats and oils, hides and skins, and dairy products. Competitive prices for lard, tallow, poultry meat, and variety meats have greatly stimulated export sales. For the whole fiscal year, tallow and poultry meat exports are expected to set new records, and lard will be at the second highest level since World War II. The high early-year rate for dairy products may slacken, with the year's total likely to be less than in 1958-59.

#### I M P O R T   H I G H L I G H T S

Agricultural imports showed little overall change in December. U. S. agricultural imports totaled \$367 million in December 1959, \$2 million less than a year earlier. A \$9 million decline in supplementary (competitive) imports was partly offset by a \$7 million gain in complementary imports. Main value reductions in the supplementary group were in dutiable cattle, pork, and cane sugar. However, imports of beef and veal and apparel wool were larger. In the complementary group, value gains for coffee and rubber offset much of the drop in cocoa bean imports. The value rise for rubber reflected higher prices for a reduced volume.

July-December agricultural imports were up 5 percent in 1959. Agricultural imports in July-December were \$2,016 million in 1959, \$96 million above those of a year earlier. Complementary imports increased by \$109 million, or 12 percent, while supplementary imports declined by \$13 million, or 4 percent. Rubber accounted for three-fourths of the July-December value gain in complementary imports. Other complementary value increases were in silk, carpet wool, and bananas. Coffee imports declined slightly in value against a substantial rise in volume. In the supplementary group, the main value reductions were in dutiable cattle, pork, and cane sugar while the main increases were in beef and veal, hides and skins, and copra.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS: December 1958 and 1959 and July-December 1958 and 1959 a/

Commodity exported	Unit:	December		Value		Quantity		July-December		Value	
		1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
Cheese .....	Lb.	953	1,845	1,000	1,000	Thousands	Thousands	1,000	1,000	dollars	dollars
Milk, evaporated .....	Lb.	19,711	4,444	374	704		7,318	9,393	2,605		3,646
Milk, whole, dried .....	Lb.	1,875	2,035	3,260	634		75,497	55,759	12,257		8,547
Nonfat dry milk .....	Lb.	32,366	5,550	973	1,113		12,527	13,059	6,768		7,484
Eggs, in the shell .....	Doz.	6,711	2,276	3,383	789		107,950	148,338	13,876		17,231
Beef and veal, total b/ .....	Lb.	2,619	2,560	3,013	1,040		20,080	12,319	9,270		6,020
Pork, total b/ .....	Lb.	4,831	4,668	1,099	1,089		13,244	16,069	5,049		6,023
Lard .....	Lb.	26,129	36,585	3,444	3,460		192,044	330,331	25,820		30,685
Tallow, edible and inedible .....	Lb.	80,481	146,148	6,894	10,143		528,919	753,715	45,020		55,082
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales) ..	Bale	298	728	39,432	87,998		1,682	2,229	230,543		263,050
Apples, fresh .....	Lb.	15,453	28,492	1,271	2,477		53,702	79,191	4,579		6,613
Oranges and tangerines, fresh .....	Lb.	36,418	40,940	2,560	2,817		160,132	242,690	14,267		17,429
Prunes, dried .....	Lb.	9,775	7,165	2,417	1,693		45,991	45,016	10,056		10,624
Raisins and currants .....	Lb.	4,205	6,381	1,119	1,020		32,957	48,444	7,996		8,482
Fruits, canned * .....	Lb.	14,914	13,082	2,407	1,857		183,325	215,948	27,902		29,942
Orange juice .....	Gal.	924	927	1,540	1,423		5,189	5,079	10,371		9,579
Barley, grain (48 lb.) .....	Bu.	12,406	7,510	14,585	8,339		66,298	67,367	74,369		69,062
Corn, grain (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	19,188	25,920	24,524	32,659		98,666	115,093	128,005		147,581
Grain sorghums (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	9,921	11,564	11,665	13,196		48,024	55,298	56,500		61,151
Oats, grain (32 lb.) .....	Bu.	2,981	1,031	2,214	830		12,171	26,437	8,151		17,826
Rice, milled, excludes paddy .....	Bu.	53,810	94,378	4,599	5,903		672,785	839,841	52,171		55,018
Rye, grain (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	90	1,043	118	1,383		6,294	3,235	7,786		4,063
Wheat, grain (60 lb.) .....	Bu.	28,304	26,940	47,573	44,911		164,542	161,088	282,194		274,532
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.) .....	Bag	2,292	3,709	8,810	13,154		12,916	12,695	53,274		48,079
Flaxseed (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	44	315	157	1,073		4,654	7,100	13,610		22,934
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.) .....	Bu.	10,197	18,138	23,363	40,377		52,581	72,427	121,394		164,558
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc. ....	Lb.	70,140	33,238	9,539	3,484		425,541	510,545	55,430		57,242
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc. ....	Lb.	19,378	41,418	2,263	4,598		52,537	286,298	7,125		39,607
Tobacco, unmanufactured .....	Lb.	48,889	57,518	36,621	43,014		320,672	312,999	239,795		235,802
Beans, dried .....	Lb.	17,044	25,540	1,455	2,110		125,045	234,833	9,903		18,142
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas) ....	Lb.	14,868	23,120	1,002	1,549		85,609	122,646	5,218		8,126
Potatoes, white .....	Lb.	19,624	17,953	436	419		156,248	145,832	3,991		3,928
Vegetables, canned * .....	Lb.	5,485	6,522	782	1,019		50,447	46,407	7,926		7,052
Food exported for relief, etc. ....	Lb.			15,276	8,702				67,063		52,195
Other agricultural commodities .....				56,333	73,664				310,288		393,591
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL .....				336,111	419,973				1,941,012		2,171,973
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES .....				1,493,564	1,658,814				8,794,141		8,883,993

a/ Preliminary. b/ Product weight.

\* Includes only those classes which are shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly issues of "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

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# IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): December 1958 and 1959 and July-December 1958 and 1959 a/

Commodity imported	Unit	December			July-December		
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
<b>SUPPLEMENTARY</b>							
Cattle, dutiable .....	No.	121	62	12,855	5,920	621	250
Cheese .....	Lb.	6,648	8,753	3,188	4,478	28,997	33,741
Hides and skins .....	Lb.	13,393	10,182	5,132	5,255	76,435	76,885
Beef and veal, total b/ .....	Lb.	43,764	59,387	15,824	20,167	264,136	362,912
Pork, total b/ .....	Lb.	18,912	13,484	11,672	9,298	97,864	76,881
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight) .....	Lb.	14,966	15,152	9,196	10,801	53,124	63,647
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (480 lb.) .....	Bale	1	2	75	60	123	126
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.) .....	Ton	3	7	710	1,391	6	27
Olives in brine .....	Gal.	806	1,475	1,234	1,936	6,652	6,597
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved .....	Lb.	4,416	4,210	511	478	42,019	51,002
Pineapple juice .....	Gal.	118	63	46	21	1,848	1,783
Barley, grain (48 lb.) .....	Bu.	1,768	2,176	2,316	2,766	7,911	9,928
Oats, grain (32 lb.) .....	Bu.	177	188	167	199	2,415	1,020
Wheat, grain (60 lb.) .....	Bu.	996	886	1,515	1,537	3,146	3,011
Feeds and fodders .....	Bu.	c/	c/	1,850	867	c/	c/
Nuts and preparations .....	Lb.	49,707	39,560	6,857	6,888	c/	c/
Copra .....	Lb.	43,210	45,296	4,200	3,818	295,372	377,948
Oils, fats, waxes, vegetable expressed .....	Lb.	c/	c/	8,422	7,616	279,179	265,151
Seeds, field and garden .....	Lb.	294	243	1,376	2,643	c/	c/
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.) .....	Ton	24,902	17,634	3,455	2,116	2,094	2,032
Molasses, unfit for human consumption .....	Gal.	7,699	7,657	5,704	5,554	151,282	121,783
Tobacco, cigarette leaf .....	Lb.	2,908	2,990	2,055	2,035	56,095	41,246
Tobacco, other .....	Lb.	6,249	26,356	432	2,248	20,226	18,461
Tomatoes, natural state .....	Lb.	c/	c/	34,286	32,127	8,638	34,459
Other supplementary .....				165,194	156,407		
Total supplementary .....							
<b>COMPLEMENTARY</b>							
Silk, raw .....	Lb.	737	729	2,344	3,017	2,634	3,987
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight) .....	Lb.	19,280	13,825	8,801	7,346	94,893	103,715
Bananas .....	Bunch	4,028	4,666	6,004	7,088	23,029	26,181
Cocoa or cacao beans .....	Lb.	92,266	73,593	34,050	23,026	185,701	222,155
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico) .....	Lb.	268,678	313,359	103,525	113,286	1,341,570	1,577,771
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc. .....	Lb.	432	524	950	915	2,125	2,220
Tea .....	Lb.	11,121	11,042	5,255	5,590	52,513	53,492
Spices (complementary) .....	Lb.	6,594	8,152	2,552	2,745	42,259	42,830
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.) .....	Ton	12	10	1,723	1,709	56	58
Rubber, crude .....	Lb.	122,063	106,273	30,808	35,690	555,206	638,837
Other complementary .....				8,160	10,409		
Total complementary .....				204,172	210,821		
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL .....				369,366	367,228		
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES .....				1,229,094	1,431,555		

a/ Preliminary. b/ Product weight. c/ Reported in value only.

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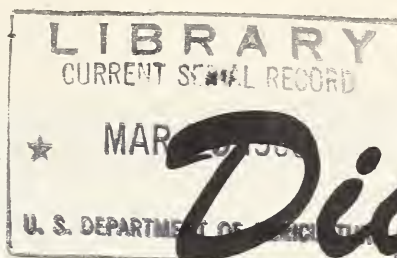
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### EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-January agricultural exports in 1959-60 were 15 percent ahead of 1958-59. July-January agricultural exports totaled \$2,585 million in 1959-60, compared with \$2,252 million in 1958-59. Over 60 percent of the gain was in cotton (\$140 million), soybeans (\$45 million), and animal products (\$37 million); but increases were also registered in edible vegetable oils, feed grains, fruits, vegetables, and rice. Tobacco exports were close to the 1958-59 level.

U. S. agricultural exports, July-January

Commodity	1958-59	1959-60	Chg.
	Million dollars		%
Cotton	260	400	+54
Grains & feeds 1/	889	924	+4
Wheat & flour 1/	435	424	-3
Feed grains 1/ 2/	319	336	+5
Rice, milled 1/	60	66	+10
Tobacco, unmf.	260	253	-3
Veg. oils & seeds	251	340	+35
Soybeans	143	188	+31
Ed. veg. oils 3/	77	107	+39
Fruits & preps.	140	156	+11
Vegs. & preps. 1/	72	86	+19
Animals & prods. 1/	313	350	+12
Fats & oils	90	109	+21
Meats & prods.	56	67	+20
Hides & skins	30	38	+27
Dairy products 1/	92	79	-14
Other 1/	67	76	+13
TOTAL	2,252	2,585	+15

1/ Includes private relief, starting with March 1960 issue. 2/ Excludes products. 3/ Cottonseed and soybean.

January exports were a third larger in 1960. January exports totaled \$413 million in 1960, up 33 percent over the \$310 million of 1959. The principal gains occurred in cotton and soybeans; and the main declines were in feed grains and edible vegetable oils. Cotton exports expanded by \$108 million.

Exports to the 5 largest markets in July-December increased by 21 percent. July-December exports to the 5 principal overseas markets for U. S. farm products--the United Kingdom, Canada, the Netherlands, Japan, and West Germany (in that order)--increased from \$847 million in fiscal year 1958-59 to \$1,028 million in 1959-60. This gain accounted for over three-fourths of the total rise of \$231 million. The largest export gain was \$75 million to the Netherlands; other major advances were \$42 million to Egypt, \$32 million each to Canada and West



Germany, and \$26 million to the United Kingdom. Major reductions occurred in exports to India, Cuba, and Mexico.

**COTTON** January cotton exports surged to highest level in a quarter century. January 1960 cotton exports, excluding linters, totaled 1,109 thousand running bales, almost 900 thousand more than in 1959 and the largest volume since November 1935. July-January exports amounted to 3,338 thousand bales in 1959-60, 75 percent larger than the 1,904 thousand in 1958-59. The improvement reflects competitive U. S. prices, increased foreign consumption, and reduced foreign production and beginning stocks. More U. S. cotton has moved to Western Europe, Canada, and Japan.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** Feed grain and rice exports remained ahead of 1958-59; wheat shipments, about the same. July-January wheat and flour shipments, including USDA welfare donations, were 246 million bushels in 1959-60, 1 percent less than the 248 million in 1958-59. This fiscal year, more wheat and flour have moved out under the Title I Public Law 480 and USDA donation programs, but dollar sales were below those of a year earlier.

Feed grain exports in the July-January period totaled 7.7 million short tons in 1959-60 compared with 7 million in 1958-59. The higher volume of exports this year reflects the expanding livestock industry in Europe and last summer's drought there. However, January exports totaled 880 thousand tons in 1960, 233 thousand less than in January 1959, and 366 thousand less than in December 1959. With the exception of oats, prices of feed grains this year have been slightly below those of a year earlier. Feed grain shipments to Europe slowed somewhat in January 1960 due to con-

gestion of grain facilities at Rotterdam, the largest receiving terminal for U. S. grains in Europe. In addition, U. S. exports encountered increased competition from Mexico's larger corn exports from its record 1959 crop.

July-January milled rice exports, amounting to 1,014 million pounds this fiscal year, were 29 percent larger than a year ago. This gain reflects the improved competitive position of U. S. rice in world markets as well as the larger shipments under Title I of Public Law 480 this year.

U. S. agricultural exports by country of destination, July-December 1958 and 1959

Country	1958	1959	Chg.
	Million dollars		%
United Kingdom	239.2	264.9	+11
Canada	174.3	205.7	+18
The Netherlands	120.1	195.1	+62
Japan	165.0	182.1	+10
West Germany	148.3	180.0	+21
Italy	62.5	73.6	+18
Belgium	51.0	69.7	+14
Cuba	77.8	65.7	-16
India	107.2	64.5	-40
Egypt	7.9	49.7	+529
Venezuela	46.9	49.1	+5
Poland	44.0	46.1	+5
France	45.5	43.0	-6
Brazil	32.7	42.0	+28
Denmark	22.6	37.7	+67
Mexico	44.4	33.2	-25
Other	551.6	569.9	+3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,941.0</b>	<b>2,172.0</b>	<b>+12</b>

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# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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U. S. tobacco exporters expect to derive immediate benefits from Britain's announcement that restrictions are being lifted on dollar imports of unmanufactured tobacco and manufactured tobacco products (except cigars). Several British manufacturers have low stocks of U. S. leaf; and, if the 1960 U. S. crop is suitable, this should encourage larger U. K. purchases. British tobacco firms, however, still have discriminatory guaranteed-purchase agreements with Rhodesia and Nyasaland, and Commonwealth producing countries enjoy a tariff preference of about  $21\frac{1}{2}$  cents a pound.

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Colombia may again become an important market for U. S. breeding cattle. The recent removal of its ban on breeding-cattle imports has been followed by a reduction of import duties. Before Colombia restricted imports in 1957 under a foreign trade austerity program, it had taken nearly 5 thousand U. S. animals annually in 1954 and 1955.

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Recent Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced: ...Poland: \$42 million for wheat. ...Peru: \$12 million for wheat, edible fats and oils, and rice. ...Taiwan: \$6 million for wheat and/or wheat flour. ...Viet Nam: \$1 million for cotton. (Agreements with Poland and Taiwan supplement earlier ones.)

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Canada is the latest of several countries to remove embargoes on imports of U. S. hogs and pork imposed because of the previous existence of vesicular exanthema in several States. Canadian importers had been notified in December 1959 that the United States is now free of this disease.

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A recent example of effective foreign market development work is provided by the Great Plains Wheat Growers Association. This organization financed a U. S. visit of wheat buyers from two important British flour mills, resulting in a resumption of monthly purchases of 2 million bushels of hard red winter wheat.

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Under Cuba's trade agreement with the USSR--signed February 13--the USSR has agreed to buy 1.1 million short tons of sugar annually for 5 years. (Cuban sales to the USSR have averaged 300 thousand tons in recent years.) The USSR will pay for this sugar partly with industrial equipment, petroleum, wheat, and chemicals along with technical assistance. Cuba is aiming at a 1960 sugar crop of  $6\frac{1}{4}$  million tons, more than enough to enable it to meet its U. S. quota of 3.1 million tons for 1960 and to fulfill its agreement with the USSR.

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VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS      July-January exports of vegetable oils and oilseeds were up nearly \$90 million in 1959-60. Exports of these commodities totaled \$340 million in July-January 1959-60, 35 percent larger than the \$251 million a year earlier. Soybeans alone accounted for one-half of the total increase. Vegetable oil exports were highlighted by a 4-fold volume increase in cottonseed oil while soybean oil exports gained slightly over a year earlier. The overall increase for this group reflects reduced availabilities from other major suppliers, last summer's drought in Europe, and higher consumption in the industrialized countries. Most of the export expansion in vegetable oil was in dollar sales as shipments under Government programs were about the same in both years.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES      Fruit and vegetable exports continued at high levels. July-January exports of fruits and preparations totaled \$156 million in 1959-60, 11 percent more than in 1958-59; and those of vegetables and preparations totaled \$86 million, 19 percent greater than in 1958-59. There were increases in fresh oranges, apples, and pears and in canned fruits. Among the vegetables, expanded shipments of beans and peas resulted from short supplies in both Europe and Latin America. The competitive position of U. S. dry edible beans in Europe this year was improved by the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway; the beans moved sooner and at lower transportation costs than a year earlier.

ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS      Exports of all major animal products were up. Shipments of animals and animal products in July-January 1959-60 totaled \$350 million, 12 percent above the \$313 million in 1958-59. Shipments of lard, tallow, poultry meats, and variety meats gained substantially, reflecting plentiful U. S. supplies coupled with competitive prices. Although USDA foreign donations of dairy products were considerably below those of a year ago, commercial exports were up 18 percent for the first 7 months in 1959-60. Large amounts of nonfat dry milk and butter were exported to Europe to supplement its deficit this fiscal year. The July-January increase in the export value of hides and skins represents higher prices this season as the quantity shipped was below the 1958-59 level.

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January agricultural imports were 18 percent less in value this year. January's agricultural imports of \$270 million in 1960 compared with \$328 million in 1959. Imports were smaller for both major classes: Supplementary (competitive) products and complementary (noncompetitive) products. The bulk of the decline in January resulted from reduced imports of coffee, rubber, and cocoa beans.

July-January imports ran 2 percent ahead of a year ago. July-January's \$2,285 million in 1959-60 compared with \$2,248 million in 1958-59. For the 7-month period, complementary imports were larger by \$69 million while supplementary imports were smaller by \$32 million.

Seven-month complementary imports registered 6-percent gain over 1958-59. Imports of complementary products rose from \$1,104 million in 1958-59 to



\$1,173 million in 1959-60. Rubber increased most in value, but other gainers included carpet wool, raw silk, bananas, tea, and sisal and henequen. The increase in carpet wool reflected only higher prices as the quantity imported was practically unchanged from 1958-59. A substantial decline occurred in the value of coffee imports, but it represented lower prices as the quantity brought in was up almost 200 million pounds.

Supplementary imports in the July-January period were down by 3 percent from year-ago level. Supplementary imports in the July-January period declined from \$1,144 million in 1958-59 to \$1,112 million in 1959-60. Largest single decline was in dutiable cattle; other losers included pork, cotton, feeds and fodders, vegetable oils and waxes, cane sugar, and molasses unfit for human consumption. The reduction in value for cotton reflected lower prices as the quantity imported increased. Biggest value increase among supplementary items was in beef and veal; other gainers included hides and skins, cheese, mutton, apparel wool, jute, canned pineapples, feed grains, copra, field and garden seeds, and fresh tomatoes. The rise in value for hides and skins was due more to higher prices than to a gain in quantity.

## DOMESTIC EXPORTS: January 1959 and 1960 and July-January 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	January		July-January		Value 2/		Quantity		Value 2/		Quantity		Value 2/	
		1959	1960	1959	1960	dollars	1,000	Thousands	1960	dollars	1,000	Thousands	1959-60	dollars	1,000
Cheese*	Lb.	940	1,353	409	501	46,957	10,842	46,957	10,842	12,914	12,914	4,172	12,914	12,914	4,172
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	5,057	5,840	788	921	80,609	61,665	80,609	61,665	13,053	13,053	9,486	13,053	13,053	9,486
Dried whole milk	Lb.	3,961	1,981	1,411	1,155	16,488	15,040	16,488	15,040	8,179	8,179	8,640	8,179	8,179	8,640
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	40,771	20,906	4,531	2,605	374,042	308,042	374,042	308,042	42,457	42,457	32,272	42,457	42,457	32,272
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	2,380	1,194	1,371	781	22,460	13,514	22,460	13,514	6,801	6,801	38,217	10,641	10,641	38,217
Hides and skins 3/	No.	635	630	3,882	5,056	5,014	4,449	5,014	4,449	29,564	29,564	7,082	29,564	29,564	7,082
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	1,919	2,494	833	1,072	15,163	18,532	15,163	18,532	11,968	11,968	12,522	11,968	11,968	12,522
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	4,976	4,849	1,528	1,476	32,405	43,552	32,405	43,552	12,233	12,233	12,045	12,233	12,233	12,045
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	8,250	11,085	1,954	2,121	50,578	60,946	50,578	60,946	14,007	14,007	24,261	14,007	14,007	24,261
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	8,564	9,430	2,657	2,375	43,723	88,958	43,723	88,958	30,867	30,867	36,860	30,867	30,867	36,860
Lard	Lb.	42,149	68,800	5,047	6,176	234,193	399,131	234,193	399,131	54,533	54,533	64,643	54,533	54,533	64,643
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	112,940	138,449	9,513	9,561	641,859	892,164	641,859	892,164	259,822	259,822	399,813	259,822	259,822	399,813
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	222	1,109	29,278	136,806	1,904	3,338	1,904	3,338	6,042	6,042	9,880	6,042	6,042	9,880
Apples, fresh	Lb.	18,460	39,638	1,464	3,268	72,162	118,829	72,162	118,829	16,633	16,633	20,161	16,633	16,633	20,161
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	39,532	41,781	2,366	2,731	199,664	284,471	199,664	284,471	10,878	10,878	12,804	10,878	10,878	12,804
Prunes, dried	Lb.	2,984	9,224	821	2,180	48,975	54,240	48,975	54,240	8,759	8,759	9,606	8,759	8,759	9,606
Raisins and currants	Lb.	2,749	7,331	763	1,125	35,706	55,775	35,706	55,775	29,262	29,262	32,181	29,262	29,262	32,181
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	8,101	15,222	1,360	2,239	191,426	231,170	191,426	231,170	12,393	12,393	11,664	12,393	12,393	11,664
Orange juice	Gal.	1,232	1,579	2,022	2,085	6,421	6,587	6,421	6,587	87,484	87,484	78,558	87,484	87,484	78,558
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	10,754	8,114	13,039	9,497	77,097	75,481	77,097	75,481	150,623	150,623	165,737	150,623	150,623	165,737
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	16,399	13,656	21,535	17,818	115,750	128,954	115,750	128,954	70,362	70,362	70,986	70,362	70,362	70,986
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	11,576	8,870	14,216	9,835	59,600	64,168	59,600	64,168	10,968	10,968	20,954	10,968	10,968	20,954
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	3,902	3,398	2,818	3,128	16,073	29,835	16,073	29,835	60,150	60,150	65,640	60,150	60,150	65,640
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	80,202	170,637	6,009	10,349	787,457	1,014,440	787,457	1,014,440	8,198	8,198	4,661	8,198	8,198	4,661
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	304	474	412	597	6,598	3,709	6,598	3,709	344,116	344,116	333,327	344,116	344,116	333,327
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	35,150	33,797	60,344	57,562	200,539	195,411	200,539	195,411	91,221	91,221	90,897	91,221	91,221	90,897
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	3,311	3,176	14,815	11,870	20,205	21,893	20,205	21,893	18,093	18,093	42,380	18,093	18,093	42,380
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	60	94	3,872	6,338	281	649	281	649	14,355	14,355	22,973	14,355	14,355	22,973
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	224	9	746	39	4,878	7,109	4,878	7,109	142,911	142,911	187,689	142,911	142,911	187,689
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	9,316	10,263	21,517	23,131	61,896	82,690	61,896	82,690	66,315	66,315	60,388	66,315	66,315	60,388
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	88,152	30,888	10,886	3,146	513,692	541,433	513,692	541,433	10,576	10,576	46,392	10,576	10,576	46,392
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	31,160	65,798	3,451	6,788	83,697	352,091	83,697	352,091	259,918	259,918	252,730	259,918	259,918	252,730
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	27,469	23,072	20,123	16,927	348,140	336,071	348,140	336,071	11,480	11,480	21,101	11,480	11,480	21,101
Beans, dried*	Lb.	18,410	35,197	1,529	2,930	144,112	270,826	144,112	270,826	6,043	6,043	9,357	6,043	6,043	9,357
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	12,270	20,010	825	1,231	97,880	142,656	97,880	142,656	4,519	4,519	4,472	4,519	4,519	4,472
Potatoes, white	Lb.	23,584	19,539	528	544	179,832	165,371	179,832	165,371	8,634	8,634	8,213	8,634	8,634	8,213
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	4,882	7,742	708	1,160	55,329	54,149	55,329	54,149	295,850	295,850	345,177	295,850	295,850	345,177
Other agricultural commodities				40,618	46,072										
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				309,989	413,196										
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				1,074,799	1,129,073										
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,384,788	1,542,269										

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

\* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): January 1959 and 1960 and July-January 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity Imported	Unit	January			July-January		
		Quantity	Value	Value	Quantity	Value	Value
		1959	1960	1959	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
SUPPLEMENTARY							
Cattle, dutiable	No.	85	46	1,000	4,421	1,000	1,000
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	7,993	5,981	9,364	1,533	1,533	32,709
Cheese	Lb.	5,320	4,167	2,406	1,853	1,853	9,273
Hides	Lb.	14,596	9,688	6,292	5,268	5,268	19,037
Beef and veal, total 2/	Lb.	42,574	39,345	15,954	13,328	13,328	32,733
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	18,404	15,057	12,293	10,244	10,244	43,807
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	4,551	5,888	1,178	1,233	1,233	106,360
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,186	1,238	815	853	853	77,148
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	15,781	13,514	9,690	9,504	9,504	6,671
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bales	1	2	100	241	128	6,193
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	7	10	1,363	1,705	1,705	53,306
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,021	1,100	1,601	1,385	1,385	19,924
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	3,410	10,789	361	1,144	1,144	5,795
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	341	395	386	543	543	7,199
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	116	111	122	124	124	13,548
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	642	711	1,108	1,162	1,162	1,077
Feeds and fodders	Bu.	3/	3/	1,645	692	3/	5,915
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	3/	3/	6,904	4,420	3/	5,892
Copra	Lb.	53,799	40,338	5,027	3,750	3,750	9,325
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	35,222	33,660	6,726	6,160	6,160	43,493
Seeds, field and garden	Lb.	3/	3/	1,239	2,086	3/	29,194
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Ton	324	315	35,888	32,209	2,418	53,727
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Gal.	19,050	16,461	2,202	1,591	170,331	7,277
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	13,624	14,675	9,974	10,013	89,945	268,935
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.	26,549	49,250	1,938	4,070	35,187	20,314
Other supplementary	Lb.			25,636	22,923		67,034
Total supplementary				161,745	142,166		194,168
COMPLEMENTARY							
Silk, raw	Lb.	416	561	1,352	2,348		1,144,498
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	25,583	16,281	11,567	8,826	3,051	10,300
Bananas	Bunch	3,645	4,053	5,632	5,495	120,476	4,549
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	49,888	32,280	18,324	9,541	26,673	120,096
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	210,078	163,456	79,642	56,784	235,589	38,143
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	274	382	524	634	1,551,648	254,435
Tea	Lb.	8,498	9,644	4,054	4,722	2,399	90,880
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	8,493	7,698	3,086	3,059	61,010	636,643
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	2	2	804	957	27	5,611
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	10	10	1,928	1,790	66	28,505
Rubber, crude	Lb.	123,088	77,941	32,654	26,858	716,722	18,897
Other complementary				7,076	7,147		8,539
Total complementary				166,643	128,161		11,286
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				328,388	270,327		234,502
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,134,522	1,162,214		50,552
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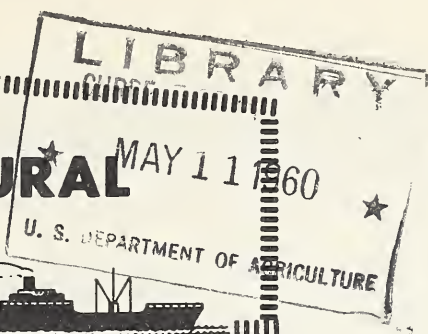
            
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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-February agricultural exports were 19 percent larger this year. July-February agricultural exports were \$2,984 million in 1959-60 compared with \$2,501 million in 1958-59. Principal value gains were in cotton (\$220 million), soybeans (\$43 million), cottonseed oil (\$43 million), animal fats (\$21 million), fruits and preparations (\$21 million), and rice (\$15 million). Other increases occurred in feed grains, vegetables and preparations, meats, and wheat. Tobacco exports were at the level of 1958-59.

February exports were three-fifths larger this year. Exports this February of \$399 million were 60 percent larger than February 1959's \$250 million.

### U. S. agricultural exports, July-February

Commodity	1958-59	1959-60	Chg.
	Million dollars		%
Cotton	286	506	+77
Grains & feeds <sup>1/</sup>	1,004	1,076	+7
Wheat & flour <sup>1/</sup>	494	507	+3
Feed grains <sup>1/2/</sup>	362	381	+5
Rice, milled <sup>1/</sup>	65	80	+23
Tobacco, unmd.	272	272	0
Veg. oils & seeds	277	375	+35
Soybeans	162	205	+27
Ed. veg. oils <sup>3/</sup>	80	121	+51
Fruits & preps.	154	175	+14
Vegs. & preps. <sup>1/</sup>	82	97	+18
Animals & prods. <sup>1/</sup>	349	394	+13
Fats & oils	103	124	+20
Meats & prods.	62	76	+23
Hides & skins	34	46	+35
Dairy products <sup>1/</sup>	99	88	-11
Other <sup>1/</sup>	77	89	+16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,501</b>	<b>2,984</b>	<b>+19</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Includes private relief, starting with March 1960 issue. <sup>2/</sup> Excludes products. <sup>3/</sup> Cottonseed and soybean.

Over half of the increase was accounted for by cotton. Other substantial gains were in wheat, vegetable oils, rice, tobacco, and fruits and preparations. Exports of animals and animal products, feed grains, soybeans, and vegetables and preparations were about the same as in February 1959.

Fiscal year 1959-60 exports are now estimated at \$4.5 billion. With further export gains in sight for cotton, wheat, vegetable oils, and animal products, the estimate for this fiscal year's agricultural exports has been raised to \$4.5 billion. This is \$500 million above the original estimate made at the time of the National Agricultural Outlook Conference last November and \$800 million above actual exports in 1958-59. This level of exports would be exceeded only by the record \$4.7 billion in



1956-57 during the Suez crisis. This year's latest value estimate is one-fifth larger than actual exports in 1958-59 while the quantity is expected to rise even more.

**COTTON** Cotton exports in fiscal year 1959-60 are now expected to be about 6.5 million bales. July-February cotton exports, excluding lint-ers, of 4,177 thousand running bales were almost double those of a year earlier. Although exports of 839 thousand bales in February 1960 were 24 percent below the large January shipments of 1,109 thousand, they were about 4 times the February 1959 level of 211 thousand bales. Larger U. S. exports this year reflect (1) rising consumption in most major importing countries following the 1958 textile recession, (2) ample supplies of U. S. cotton at competitive prices, and (3) smaller exportable supplies in major foreign producing countries.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** Wheat exports may reach 475 million bushels this fiscal year. July-February wheat and flour exports, including USDA welfare donations, were 295 million bushels in 1959-60, 5 percent more than the 282 million in 1958-59. February 1960 exports of 49 million bushels were 15 million larger than in February 1959. Wheat exports in fiscal year 1959-60 are expected to exceed the 443 million bushels shipped in 1958-59 with prospects of reaching 475 million bushels. The improved outlook for wheat stems mostly from increased movements under Title I of Public Law 480 and larger USDA donations under Title III of Public Law 480. Commercial sales for dollars may be somewhat below those of the previous year, reflecting largely an increased supply situation in Europe.

July-February feed grain exports were 10 percent larger than a year ago. July-February exports reached 8.7 million short tons this year as compared with 7.9 million last year. February 1960 exports of 963 thousand tons were 53 thousand larger than in February a year ago and 83 thousand larger than in January 1960. Exports for fiscal year 1959-60 are forecast at 13.1 million short tons, 10 percent greater than the 1958-59 level. Seventenths of U. S. feed grain exports in July-February went to Western Europe to supplement reduced forage output following last summer's drought and to meet increased feed requirements of the expanding livestock industry. Most of the increase occurred before December 1959. December-February exports to Europe moved at a reduced rate in response to a large buildup of feed grain stocks while exports to other areas increased. For the remainder of the year, however, exports to Europe are expected to improve.

Rice exports showed 45-percent gain in July-February. Milled rice exports in July-February this fiscal year totaled 12,263 thousand bags as compared with 8,466 thousand in 1958-59. February shipments of 2,118 thousand bags in 1960 were 1,527 thousand larger than in 1959. Plentiful U. S. supplies and competitive prices were major factors in this year's gain. Nearly one-half moved under Title I of Public Law 480.

**VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS** July-February exports of vegetable oils and oilseeds were up 35 percent. Exports of vegetable oils and oilseeds totaled \$375 million in July-February of 1959-60, \$98 million greater than in the same period last year. Soybean exports of 90 million bushels this year were 20 million more than in 1958-59. Cottonseed



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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USDA is conducting an overall review of current export policies, programs, and activities as a basis for further expanding its agricultural trade promotion activities, as called for by the President in his March 17 message to the Congress on the National Export Expansion Program. The review includes such elements as trade barrier removal, quality, credit, pricing, promotion activities of Government and industry, and Government-financed exports under the "Food for Peace" concept.

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Foreign market opportunities for U. S. farm products and existing export promotion activities are being studied in 7 Latin American countries by a Federal and State Extension Service team. The team is scheduled to return May 26 to report findings through Federal and State Extension Services. Similar studies have been made in Europe and the Far East.

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Looking ahead to further dollar-trade liberalization, the United States has scheduled consultations during the remainder of 1960 with 24 member countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to discuss removal of import restrictions against U. S. commodities for balance-of-payments reasons.

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The sale of \$168 thousand worth of U. S. Brown Swiss and Holstein breeding stock at the agricultural fair in Verona, Italy, March 13-20, is an indication that Italy not only offers a good potential market for feed grains but is an actual market for quality dairy cattle as well. Italy recently liberalized dollar imports of live animals, including poultry.

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USDA announced on March 16 that the payment-in-kind export program for cotton--in effect since the start of the 1958-59 marketing year--will be continued in the 1960-61 year. The initial rate of export payment for cotton shipped on or after August 1, 1960 will be 6 cents a pound as compared with 8 cents under the current program.

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Title I Public Law 480 agreements signed since mid-March: India (Supplemental): \$7.8 million for rice. Finland: \$4.6 million for tobacco, cotton, raisins, and canned fruit. UAR-Egypt: \$15 million for tobacco, cottonseed oil or soybean oil, and corn. Iceland: \$1.8 million for wheat or wheat flour, cracked corn or cornmeal, rice, barley or barley meal, tobacco or tobacco products, and cottonseed oil or soybean oil. Pakistan (New): \$72 million for wheat or wheat flour to be shipped over 2-year period. (Supplemental): \$16 million for cottonseed oil or soybean oil, extra-long staple cotton, and tobacco.

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oil exports were 3 times larger this year. Supplies of oilseeds and vegetable oils from other major producers have remained tight this fiscal year. Also, the demand for U. S. vegetable oils and oilseeds in Europe has been strong because of the increasingly higher living standards. At the same time, oilseed and meal exports to Europe have been encouraged by last season's drought. Commercial sales for dollars have accounted for the increase in vegetable oil exports this year as exports under Government programs have been about the same as in fiscal year 1958-59.

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**     Both fruit and vegetable exports were larger in July-February of 1959-60. July-February exports of fruits and preparations totaled \$175 million in 1959-60, 14 percent more than in 1958-59; and those of vegetables and preparations totaled \$97 million, 18 percent greater. The quantity of fresh oranges exported was up 36 percent, apples 70 percent, and major canned fruits 19 percent. Fruit exports this year have benefited from trade liberalization in Western Europe in the past year. The larger vegetable exports were accounted for by dry beans and peas shipped to Latin America and Europe. Exports of dry edible beans to Europe are expected to increase substantially in the remainder of this fiscal year with the reopening of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

**ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS**     Exports of all major animal products except dairy products were up in July-February of 1959-60. July-February exports of animals and animal products, including USDA donations, totaled \$394 million in 1959-60, 13 percent more than the \$349 million in 1958-59. Exports of lard, tallow, poultry meats, and variety meats have been stimulated this year by plentiful U. S. supplies and relatively low prices. While July-February total exports of dairy products were below those of a year earlier, exports excluding USDA donations were 21 percent greater this year. Exports of nonfat dry milk are expected to expand during the March-June period as CCC supplies have once more been made available under the USDA donation program.

#### I M P O R T     H I G H L I G H T S

July-February agricultural imports were 2 percent ahead this year, reflecting increases in noncompetitive products. Agricultural imports totaled \$2,628 million in the first 8 months of this fiscal year compared with the \$2,582 million a year earlier. Supplementary imports of \$1,269 million were 2 percent less than the \$1,297 million in 1958-59. There were value declines in dutiable cattle (\$52 million), pork (\$15 million), and cane sugar (\$8 million). These declines were partially offset by gains in beef and veal, hides and skins, copra, and fresh tomatoes. Complementary imports of \$1,359 million were 6 percent larger than the \$1,285 million in 1958-59. The most significant increase in this group was the \$78 million gain in rubber. Other value gains were in silk, carpet wool, bananas, spices, sisal and henequen, and tea. The quantity of coffee was 173 million pounds greater, but value was \$35 million less. Imports of cocoa beans were 25 million pounds larger in volume but \$10 million smaller in value.

Agricultural imports were up slightly in February. Imports totaled \$343 million in February 1960 compared with the \$334 million in February 1959.



Both supplementary (somewhat competitive) and complementary (noncompetitive) products were 3 percent larger. Principal supplementary value gains were in cane sugar, fresh tomatoes, pork, tobacco, and copra. There were declines in beef and veal, hides and skins, cattle, and vegetable oils. Principal complementary gains were in spices and rubber while declines occurred in coffee and cocoa beans.

## DOMESTIC EXPORTS: February 1959 and 1960 and July-February 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit	February				July-February			
		1959	1960	1959	Value 2/ dollars	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	Value 2/ dollars
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Cheese*	Lb.	902	911	47,859	11,752	11,752	13,220	13,220	4,556
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	2,083	5,941	82,692	67,605	67,605	13,349	13,349	10,456
Dried whole milk	Lb.	1,577	3,380	18,065	18,420	18,420	9,042	9,042	10,239
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	35,893	23,411	4,269	2,514	409,935	331,453	46,726	34,786
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,052	1,471	14,985	11,618	14,985	7,869	7,869	7,869
Hides and skins 3/	No.	616	1,015	7,874	5,464	5,464	33,706	33,706	46,091
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	1,470	2,158	861	20,690	20,690	6,582	6,582	7,943
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	7,500	5,515	1,861	13,828	13,828	14,128	14,128	14,128
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	6,690	11,346	1,589	2,162	57,267	13,822	13,822	14,207
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	3,686	10,305	1,265	17,409	99,264	15,272	15,272	26,791
Lard	Lb.	56,521	50,260	5,946	4,376	290,714	36,813	36,813	41,236
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	74,911	124,598	6,318	8,387	716,770	60,851	60,851	73,029
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	211	839	26,076	105,900	2,115	4,177	285,898	505,714
Apples, fresh	Lb.	13,760	27,590	1,024	2,295	85,922	146,419	7,066	12,175
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	40,713	41,488	2,569	2,944	240,377	325,958	19,203	23,104
Prunes, dried	Lb.	3,418	7,225	886	1,731	52,393	61,465	11,764	14,535
Raisins and currants	Lb.	2,587	8,486	704	1,187	38,292	64,261	9,464	10,794
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	18,438	18,906	2,900	2,781	209,865	250,076	32,162	34,962
Orange juice	Gal.	1,111	1,806	2,258	2,812	7,532	14,651	14,651	14,476
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	5,626	9,027	6,852	10,013	82,722	84,509	94,336	88,572
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	16,575	16,797	22,164	22,755	132,324	145,750	172,786	188,491
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	9,191	8,817	10,486	10,168	68,791	72,985	80,848	81,155
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	3,198	1,794	2,450	1,561	19,271	13,418	22,515	22,515
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	59,127	211,829	4,431	14,311	846,584	1,226,269	64,582	79,951
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	1,161	88	1,371	120	7,759	3,797	9,569	4,781
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	28,466	40,081	48,743	66,993	229,006	235,492	392,859	400,320
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	2,301	3,781	10,169	15,853	22,506	25,674	101,389	106,750
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	42	58	2,763	3,845	322	707	20,856	46,226
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	36	22	127	75	4,914	7,131	14,482	23,047
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	8,400	7,698	19,147	17,759	70,296	90,387	162,058	205,448
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	10,169	56,416	1,305	5,833	523,862	597,849	67,620	66,221
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	17,112	78,650	1,961	8,618	100,809	430,741	12,537	55,011
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	17,019	25,452	11,972	19,423	365,160	361,523	271,890	272,153
Beans, dried*	Lb.	23,352	17,199	1,843	1,503	167,464	288,025	13,323	22,605
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	18,677	12,545	1,229	735	116,556	155,201	7,272	10,092
Potatoes, white	Lb.	11,084	14,133	237	379	190,916	179,503	4,756	4,851
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	8,103	7,126	1,146	1,095	63,433	61,275	9,781	9,308
Other agricultural commodities				36,235	44,104			332,089	389,827
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES									
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				249,585	399,123			2,501,488	2,984,415
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES									
1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".									
* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".									

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): February 1959 and 1960 and July-February 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity imported	Unit:	February		Value		Quantity		July-February		Value
		1959	1960	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1958-59	Thousands	1958-59	Thousands	
SUPPLEMENTARY										
Cattle, dutiable	No.	69	65	7,567	6,395	776	361	1,000	91,511	1,000
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	7,132	6,028	1,340	1,192	60,022	53,368	11,382	11,382	10,466
Cheese	Lb.	4,853	4,333	2,174	2,125	39,171	42,241	18,862	18,862	21,162
Hides and skins	Lb.	13,527	9,572	5,334	4,448	98,558	96,145	38,067	38,067	48,074
Beef and veal, total 2/	Lb.	38,945	33,232	14,935	11,397	345,655	435,488	121,295	121,295	151,874
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	12,900	14,246	8,834	9,714	129,168	106,184	85,981	85,981	70,554
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	2,722	4,105	689	813	20,055	34,619	4,998	4,998	7,484
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,090	1,146	848	932	10,193	9,815	8,402	8,402	7,125
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	17,210	13,646	10,626	10,097	86,114	90,708	58,180	58,180	63,403
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bale:	2	6	209	605	125	134	23,742	23,742	20,529
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	9	10	1,693	1,966	22	47	4,367	4,367	7,756
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,001	1,238	1,562	1,522	8,675	8,935	13,055	13,055	12,447
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	6,210	12,372	689	1,355	51,638	74,163	6,044	6,044	8,553
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	46	574	63	782	8,299	10,900	10,990	10,990	14,330
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	134	232	153	297	2,665	1,363	2,226	2,226	1,374
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	956	780	1,449	1,368	4,745	4,502	7,342	7,342	7,283
Feeds and fodders	Bu.	3/	3/	1,402	685	3/	3/	10,726	10,726	5,343
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	36,214	45,766	4,270	4,501	385,385	464,052	47,557	47,557	47,994
Copra	Lb.	36,618	32,461	7,474	6,656	351,020	331,207	32,667	32,667	43,397
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	3/	3/	1,011	1,641	3/	3/	61,201	61,201	58,368
Seeds, field and garden	Ton	344	398	37,658	42,398	2,762	2,748	8,738	8,738	14,187
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Gal.	17,295	26,076	2,352	2,350	187,626	164,320	306,593	306,593	298,773
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Lb.	11,804	12,753	8,505	9,538	101,749	103,396	22,666	22,666	16,910
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	50,366	73,449	3,807	5,476	85,553	157,158	75,540	75,540	76,043
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.			24,308	24,652			6,312	6,312	12,384
Other supplementary				152,425	157,113			218,480	218,480	204,181
Total supplementary								1,296,924	1,296,924	1,269,098
COMPLEMENTARY										
Silk, raw	Lb.	419	376	1,410	1,595	3,470	4,925	11,710	11,710	19,308
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	17,616	17,292	8,122	9,300	138,092	137,388	62,521	62,521	73,181
Bananas	Bunch:	4,224	5,260	5,732	6,951	30,898	35,494	43,875	43,875	49,351
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	34,400	40,314	12,688	11,570	269,989	294,749	103,568	103,568	93,381
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	301,457	284,055	108,200	101,744	1,853,105	2,025,751	744,843	744,843	709,802
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	676	431	1,256	740	3,075	3,033	6,867	6,867	5,432
Tea	Lb.	8,635	11,416	4,269	5,424	69,645	74,552	32,774	32,774	35,690
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	5,227	11,796	2,008	5,825	55,979	62,323	21,654	21,654	24,722
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	3	1	1,288	634	30	20	9,828	9,828	9,282
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	10	11	1,420	1,815	76	79	10,948	10,948	13,101
Rubber, crude	Lb.	109,574	91,725	29,525	32,694	787,868	808,448	189,437	189,437	267,196
Other complementary				5,529	7,718			46,930	46,930	58,272
Total complementary				181,447	186,010			1,284,955	1,284,955	1,358,718
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				333,872	343,123			2,581,879	2,581,879	2,627,816
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				779,424	945,466			6,247,472	6,247,472	7,507,025
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,113,296	1,288,589			8,829,351	8,829,351	10,134,841

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only.

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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Agricultural exports in July-March 1959-60 moved at near-record pace in value, at record rate in volume. Exports of \$3,373 million in July-March 1959-60 were 21 percent larger than the \$2,794 million in the corresponding period a year earlier. In volume, exports were over one-fourth larger this year over last and set a new record. Nearly half of the \$579 million increase was the result of larger cotton exports. Other substantial gains were in soybeans (\$48 million), animals and animal products (\$48 million), vegetable oils (\$44 million), and wheat (\$29 million). Small reductions occurred in dairy prod-

ucts, barley, rye, and grain sorghums. Tobacco exports were close to the level in 1958-59.

### U. S. agricultural exports, July-March

Commodity	1958-59	1959-60	Chg.
	Million dollars		Pct.
Cotton	321	605	+88
Grains & feeds 1/	1,134	1,229	+8
Wheat & flour 1/	569	598	+5
Feed grains 1/ 2/	399	416	+4
Rice, milled 1/	74	96	+30
Tobacco, unmd.	295	292	-1
Veg. oils & seeds	298	404	+36
Soybeans	174	222	+28
Ed. veg. oils 3/	87	131	+51
Fruits & preps.	171	192	+12
Vegs. & preps. 1/	93	109	+17
Animals & prods. 1/	394	442	+12
Fats & oils	117	139	+19
Meats & prods.	70	85	+21
Hides & skins	39	53	+36
Dairy products 1/	109	96	-12
Other 1/	88	100	+33
Total	2,794	3,373	+21

1/ Includes private relief, starting with March 1960 issue. 2/ Excludes products.

3/ Cottonseed and soybean.

March exports were one-third larger this year. March agricultural exports of \$388 million in 1960 were \$96 million greater than the \$292 million in 1959. Cotton accounted for two-thirds of the rise; wheat, 16 percent; vegetable oils and oilseeds, 8 percent; and rice, 7 percent. Exports of animals and animal products, feed grains, vegetables and preparations, and fruits and preparations remained close to 1959 levels. Tobacco exports were somewhat lower this year.

Exports were up to all major areas except Oceania. Agricultural exports moved in larger amount this year to all of the major world areas with the exception of Oceania. July-March 1959-60 exports to Europe totaled \$1,652 million, up 25 percent



over a year earlier; Asia, \$854 million, up 15 percent; Latin America, \$403 million, up 4 percent; and Africa, \$144 million, up 153 percent. Exports to Oceania (including Australia) of \$30 million were 15 percent less. Europe accounted for nearly 60 percent of the overall gain owing primarily to increased shipments of cotton. Individual value gains for major West European countries ranged from a high of \$134 million for the United Kingdom, the largest foreign outlet for U. S. agricultural products, to a low of \$18 million for Denmark. Outside of Europe, substantial increases were made in exports to Japan, Canada, Egypt, Venezuela, and Brazil. There were declines in exports to India, Cuba, Republic of Korea, and Mexico.

**COTTON** March 1960 cotton exports, excluding linters, totaled 767 thousand running bales. This was 483 thousand bales more than in March a year earlier. July-March exports of 4,944 thousand bales in 1959-60 were more than double the 2,399 thousand in 1958-59. The major foreign markets were Western Europe, Japan, and Canada. For the rest of this fiscal year, exports are expected to move at the high level of recent months. For the year, they should total about 6.5 million bales compared with 3.1 million in 1958-59. Principal factors in the expansion of cotton exports were increased consumption in major textile manufacturing countries following the 1958 textile recession, large exportable supplies of U. S. cotton at competitive prices, and smaller exportable supplies in major foreign producing countries.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** Wheat exports in July-March were about 25 million bushels ahead of a year earlier. July-March wheat and flour exports, including USDA welfare donations, were 349 million bushels in 1959-60, 8 percent greater than the 324 million in 1958-59. March exports totaled 54 million bushels this year compared with 52 million in 1959. For the year as a whole, exports are expected to total 475 million bushels, 32 million larger than in 1958-59. This year's gain mainly reflects increased exports under Title I of Public Law 480.

U. S. agricultural exports by country of destination, July-March 1958-59 and 1959-60

Country	: 1958-59	: 1959-60	: Chg.
	Million dollars		Pct.
United Kingdom	248	382	+54
Japan	242	322	+33
West Germany	208	293	+41
Canada	248	290	+17
Netherlands	182	264	+45
India	191	165	-14
Italy	85	118	+39
Belgium	81	106	+31
Cuba	110	95	-14
France	51	90	+76
Egypt	12	78	+550
Venezuela	66	72	+9
Poland	56	61	+9
Rep. of Korea	67	54	-19
Brazil	34	52	+53
Denmark	34	52	+53
Mexico	58	47	-19
Other	821	832	+1
Total	2,794	3,373	+21

March feed grain exports were slightly less than those of a year earlier. Feed grain exports of 780 thousand short tons in March 1960 were 2 percent below the 797 thousand in 1959. July-March exports of 9.4 million tons were 8 percent greater than the 8.7 million in 1958-59. Corn accounted for 48 percent of feed grain exports; grain sorghums and barley, 23 percent each; and oats, 6 percent. Europe continued to be the major foreign outlet, taking about 70 percent of the total. Exports



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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On May 4 USDA announced its largest Title I Public Law 480 agreement to date. The new agreement--part of the President's Food-for-Peace Program--provides for the sale over the next 4 years of \$1,276 million worth of wheat and rice to India and is also the first to include substantial amounts for reserves: Of the 587 million bushels of wheat, 147 million will be kept as a reserve; all of the 22 million bags of rice will be used for this purpose. India will use the reserves to combat inflationary pressures caused by shortages and uneven distribution of foodstuffs.

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A substantial increase in U. S. overseas grain exports through the St. Lawrence Seaway is in sight for 1960. Some ports on the Great Lakes are predicting increases ranging from one-fourth to one-third. Optimism stems from improvements in efficiency resulting from last year's experience with grain shipments; improvements in channel, harbor, and transfer facilities; and reduced levels of overland freight rates to Great Lake ports.

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Production in excess of effective demand dominates the world wheat situation, reports the Twenty-ninth Session of the International Wheat Council, held in London April 5-12. The major issue concerns the adjustments that are needed to balance supply and effective demand and also the need for both exporters and importers to share responsibility for making these adjustments. Wheat consumption is static or declining in highly developed areas and increasing in less developed countries. Surplus disposal operations go some way in meeting the great potential demand in less developed countries, but the Council points out that these should be undertaken with minimum interference to commercial exports of third countries.

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A multilateral tariff conference under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) is scheduled to begin this September at Geneva, Switzerland. The conference will provide this country with opportunities to expand foreign markets by reducing tariff barriers abroad. With the progressive removal of import restrictions on U. S. products for balance-of-payments reasons, tariffs have become more significant. Of particular importance to U. S. exports will be negotiations with the European Economic Community--the Common Market--aimed at keeping its external tariff as low as feasible toward the United States and other outside countries.

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The Foreign Agricultural Service observes its 30th anniversary on June 5. It began in 1930 as a division in the former Bureau of Agricultural Economics. During the war and postwar period, it was the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations. In 1953 the agency reassumed its original name and was strengthened to increase assistance to U. S. agriculture in expanding foreign markets. The attaches, who had been transferred to the Department of State in 1939, were returned to USDA in 1953.



to Europe for the remainder of this fiscal year are expected to increase somewhat, reflecting the need for grains before the European harvest. Total feed grain exports are expected to be 6 to 8 percent larger than a year ago.

Rice exports in July-March were up 45 percent this year. Exports of milled rice totaled 14.4 million bags in July-March 1959-60 compared with 9.9 million in 1958-59. March shipments of 2.2 million bags were 47 percent larger than 1.5 million in 1959. The improved rice export situation reflected mainly increased shipments under Title I of Public Law 480. Exports to Cuba--the largest foreign outlet for U. S. rice--were about 20 percent below those of a year earlier.

TOBACCO July-March tobacco exports were slightly below those of a year earlier. Unmanufactured tobacco exports of 389 million pounds (declared export weight) in July-March 1959-60 were 2 percent below the 398 million in July-March 1958-59. Value was down less due to higher prices for U. S. leaf this season. Exports for the entire fiscal year are expected to approach the 473 million pounds exported last year.

VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS July-March exports of soybeans were 31 percent above a year ago. July-March exports of soybeans totaled 98 million bushels compared with the previous year's 9-month total of 75 million. Most of the increase was due to larger shipments to Western Europe, reflecting strong demand for both oil and meal. Exports for the current fiscal year are likely to reach 125 million bushels, 22 million larger than last year.

Edible vegetable oil exports for dollars were up substantially. July-March combined shipments of cottonseed oil and soybean oil totaled 1,123 million pounds compared with the previous year's 683 million pounds. The increase reflected primarily larger shipments for dollars to Western Europe. July-March exports under Title I of Public Law 480 this fiscal year were slightly less than in the same period last year. Other major vegetable oil exporters had smaller exportable supplies this year. Exports for the current fiscal year probably will be the heaviest on record.

FRUITS AND PREPARATIONS Exports of fruits and preparations were larger this July-March. July-March exports of fruits and preparations totaled \$192 million in 1959-60 compared with the \$171 million in 1958-59. Increases occurred in fresh apples, fresh oranges, dried prunes, raisins, and canned fruits. The favorable supply situation in the United States and prosperous conditions in Western Europe along with some recent dollar liberalization there were principal factors in larger exports this year.

VEGETABLES AND PREPARATIONS Exports of dried beans and peas were up substantially in July-March. Larger exports of dried beans and peas accounted for most of the increase in July-March exports of vegetables and preparations from \$93 million in 1958-59 to \$109 million in 1959-60. The heavy exports of dried beans and peas reflected reduced crops in Europe and Latin America.



ANIMALS AND  
ANIMAL PRODUCTS

Exports of lard and tallow in July-March were substantially above the same period a year earlier. July-March exports of lard totaled 505 million pounds in 1959-60, 53 percent more than the 330 million in 1958-59. The United Kingdom is now the major foreign outlet for lard, taking over half of total exports. Most of the lard for the United Kingdom was shipped in tankers; bulk handling has reduced prices in foreign markets by about 10 percent. Exports of tallow totaled 1,158 million pounds in 1959-60, 41 percent above the 820 million in 1958-59. Increased slaughtering of cattle at heavier weights resulted in larger tallow output available for export at competitive prices. About half of U. S. tallow production is marketed overseas, principally in Italy, Japan, and the Netherlands.

I M P O R T    H I G H L I G H T S

July-March agricultural imports were slightly ahead this fiscal year. July-March imports for consumption amounted to \$2,991 million in fiscal year 1959-60 compared with \$2,953 million last year. All of the increase was accounted for by complementary (noncompetitive) products as supplementary (somewhat competitive) products were below those of a year earlier.

Supplementary imports this July-March were 2 percent less than a year ago. July-March supplementary imports of \$1,447 million in 1959-60 were \$29 million below the \$1,476 million last year. Principal value declines were in dutiable cattle and pork. Other value declines occurred in cotton, cane sugar, grains and feeds, and vegetable oils. There were increases in beef, hides and skins, and oilbearing materials.

Complementary imports were 5 percent larger this July-March. July-March complementary imports increased to \$1,543 million in 1959-60, \$67 million above the \$1,476 million last year. The most significant value increase in this group was the \$81 million gain in rubber. Other value increases were in silk, carpet wool, bananas, tea, and spices. Value declines occurred in coffee and cocoa beans, but their quantities were larger than a year earlier.

March import decline reflected mainly lower prices for complementary products. March imports fell to \$363 million in 1960 from the \$371 million in 1959. Supplementary imports of \$178 million were about the same as in 1959. Imports of dutiable cattle, sugar, and molasses were above those of a year earlier in value, but declines occurred in pork, wheat, and fresh tomatoes. Beef imports were only slightly above a year earlier. Complementary imports of \$185 million were somewhat smaller, primarily as the result of value declines in imports of cocoa beans and coffee due to lower prices.



DOMESTIC EXPORTS: March 1959 and 1960 and July-March 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit	1959		1960		March		Value 2/		Quantity		1958-59		July-March		Value 2/	
		Thousands	1,000	Thousands	1,000	Thousands	dollars	dollars	dollars	Thousands	1,000	Thousands	1,000	Thousands	1,000	dollars	dollars
Cheese*	Lb.	1,075	430	773	352					48,933	12,525	48,933	12,525			13,650	4,908
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	5,131	743	8,250	1,315					87,823	75,856	87,823	75,856			14,092	11,771
Dried whole milk	Lb.	1,812	982	3,687	1,709					19,877	22,107	19,877	22,107			10,023	11,948
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	51,322	5,550	29,047	2,973					461,258	360,500	461,258	360,500			52,276	37,759
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	823	1,065	1,514	1,170					24,331	16,498	24,331	16,498			12,684	9,039
Hides and skins 3/	No.	760	5,019	939	6,941					6,391	6,402	6,391	6,402			38,725	53,032
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	1,850	839	2,201	898					18,482	22,891	18,482	22,891			7,421	8,842
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	4,824	1,573	7,828	1,998					44,729	56,896	44,729	56,896			15,402	16,127
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	7,287	1,698	8,782	1,693					64,555	81,073	64,555	81,073			15,520	15,900
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	7,190	2,231	10,587	2,806					54,599	109,850	54,599	109,850			17,503	29,597
Lard	Lb.	41,910	4,589	55,506	4,963					332,624	504,897	332,624	504,897			41,402	46,199
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	103,071	8,275	141,011	9,093					819,841	1,157,773	819,841	1,157,773			69,126	82,122
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	284	35,599	767	99,560					2,399	4,944	2,399	4,944			321,497	605,274
Apples, fresh	Lb.	6,171	500	11,375	878					92,093	157,795	92,093	157,795			7,567	13,053
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	55,787	3,538	47,898	3,539					296,164	373,857	296,164	373,857			22,740	26,643
Prunes, dried	Lb.	3,798	980	4,674	1,164					56,191	66,138	56,191	66,138			12,744	15,699
Raisins and currants	Lb.	2,304	614	6,405	881					40,597	70,666	40,597	70,666			10,078	11,675
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	19,222	3,080	18,374	2,665					229,087	268,449	229,087	268,449			35,242	37,626
Orange juice	Gal.	1,334	2,421	1,162	1,867					8,866	9,625	8,866	9,625			17,072	16,344
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	7,401	8,359	8,200	9,070					90,123	92,708	90,123	92,708			102,694	97,641
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	13,576	17,969	14,808	19,575					145,901	160,558	145,901	160,558			190,755	208,067
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	7,334	8,831	5,007	5,540					76,126	77,993	76,126	77,993			89,679	86,695
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	2,094	1,524	1,759	1,540					21,365	33,389	21,365	33,389			14,943	24,056
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	146,269	8,966	216,885	16,122					992,853	1,443,154	992,853	1,443,154			73,547	96,073
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	220	268	80	109					7,979	3,877	7,979	3,877			9,837	4,889
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	37,130	65,344	43,166	72,659					266,135	278,658	266,135	278,658			458,203	472,978
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	2,273	9,724	4,476	17,815					24,779	30,149	24,779	30,149			111,113	124,565
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	47	3,057	41	2,760					369	748	369	748			23,912	48,985
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	0	0	2	8					4,914	7,133	4,914	7,133			14,482	23,055
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	5,023	11,547	7,168	16,506					75,319	97,556	75,319	97,556			173,605	221,955
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	49,361	5,688	52,332	5,095					573,222	650,181	573,222	650,181			73,307	71,316
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	8,893	1,128	42,317	4,547					109,702	473,058	109,702	473,058			13,665	59,558
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	33,219	23,451	27,754	20,334					398,379	389,277	398,379	389,277			295,342	292,487
Beans, dried*	Lb.	26,080	2,108	12,229	1,035					193,544	300,255	193,544	300,255			15,431	23,640
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	12,104	899	15,677	972					128,661	170,878	128,661	170,878			8,171	11,064
Potatoes, white	Lb.	10,958	268	26,269	765					201,874	205,772	201,874	205,772			5,024	5,615
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	7,666	999	9,349	1,421					71,099	70,624	71,099	70,624			10,780	10,729
Other agricultural commodities			42,190		45,852											374,280	435,679
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES			292,046		388,190											2,793,534	3,372,605
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES			1,149,278		1,344,909											10,092,682	10,345,941
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES			1,441,324		1,733,099											12,886,216	13,718,546

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade". \* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".



IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): March 1959 and 1960 and July-March 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity imported	Unit:	March		July-March	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
		1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60
		dollars	dollars	dollars	dollars
		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
SUPPLEMENTARY					
Cattle, dutiable	No.	64	77	437	47,348
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	10,934	11,225	70,956	12,670
Cheese	Lb.	5,649	5,245	44,819	23,802
Hides and skins	Lb.	24,183	18,451	122,741	47,384
Beef and veal, total 2/	Lb.	28,767	32,887	374,422	163,622
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	16,538	11,832	145,706	132,346
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	2,314	4,162	22,369	78,401
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,287	1,338	11,480	5,604
Wool, unmfed., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	18,973	14,340	105,087	8,281
Cotton, unmfed., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bale	3	4	129	8,215
Jute and jute butts, unmfed. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	7	11	58	73,827
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,400	1,212	10,075	20,892
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	7,637	7,768	81,931	9,404
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	1,093	1,159	9,391	13,931
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	175	140	2,840	9,493
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	1,428	747	6,173	15,873
Feeds and fodders	Bu.	3/	3/	3/	1,547
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	42,896	54,432	428,281	8,617
Copra	Lb.	47,842	44,316	398,862	6,182
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	3/	3/	3/	52,379
Seeds, field and garden	Lb.	438	477	3,200	48,614
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Ton	16,877	40,314	204,503	66,626
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Gal.	12,883	13,115	114,632	15,787
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	86,115	76,199	171,669	348,959
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.	30,585	28,304	233,356	20,532
Other supplementary		179,555	178,275	1,476,479	85,708
Total supplementary		379	484	5,409	17,745
COMPLEMENTARY					
Silk, raw	Lb.	28,603	24,449	166,695	232,576
Wool, unmfed., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	5,770	5,100	36,668	1,447,373
Bananas	Bunch	43,012	45,009	313,001	21,381
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	298,053	267,087	2,151,158	86,687
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	502	491	3,576	56,754
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	9,057	11,593	86,145	105,939
Tea	Lb.	7,565	9,152	71,476	804,948
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	5	1	34	6,292
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	12	9	88	41,798
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	108,829	86,421	896,697	30,245
Rubber, crude	Lb.	6,294	7,997	53,226	9,918
Other complementary		191,536	184,591	1,476,491	14,626
Total complementary		371,091	362,866	2,952,970	298,551
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES		902,875	1,003,235	7,150,347	66,170
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES		1,273,966	1,366,101	10,103,317	1,543,309
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES		2,176,841	2,369,336	17,253,664	2,990,682

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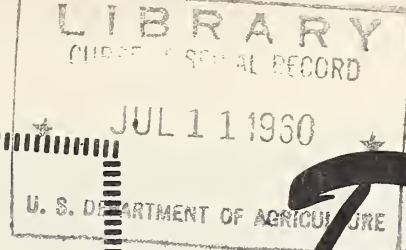
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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-April agricultural exports in 1959-60 were up 22 percent. Agricultural exports of \$3,770 million were \$680 million larger than the \$3,090 million in 1958-59. Exports moved at an annual rate of \$4.5 billion, second highest on record. Volume--nearly 30 percent larger than a year earlier--set a new record.

About half of the value rise took place in cotton. Cotton exports gained \$339 million. Other commodities which showed substantial value increases were wheat and flour, \$69 million; animals and animal products, \$53 million; soybeans, \$45 million; edible vegetable oils, \$41 million; fruits and vegetables, \$36 million; and rice, \$31 million. Exports of tobacco, dairy products, and rye ran slightly below the levels in 1958-59.

### U. S. agricultural exports, July-April

Commodity	1958-59	1959-60	Chg.
	Million dollars		Pct.
Cotton	353	692	+96
Grains & feeds 1/	1,253	1,404	+12
Wheat & flour 1/	635	704	+11
Feed grains 1/ 2/	435	459	+6
Rice, milled 1/	81	112	+38
Tobacco, unmfed.	313	302	-4
Veg. oils & seeds	343	442	+29
Soybeans	196	241	+23
Ed. veg. oils 3/	106	147	+39
Fruits & preps.	188	211	+12
Vegs. & preps. 1/	106	119	+12
Animals & prods. 1/	439	492	+12
Fats & oils	131	156	+19
Meats & prods.	77	96	+25
Hides & skins	43	58	+35
Dairy products 1/	120	104	-13
Other 1/	95	108	+14
Total	3,090	3,770	+22

1/ Includes private relief, starting with January 1960 data in the March 1960 issue. 2/ Excludes products. 3/ Cottonseed and soybean.

April 1960 exports totaled almost \$100 million more than a year earlier. Agricultural exports of \$393 million in April 1960 were one-third larger than those of \$296 million in April 1959. Over one-half of the increase was accounted for by cotton shipments, and the remainder mainly by gains in wheat and rice. Wheat exports in April reached a record high, and rice exports more than doubled those in 1959. Exports of vegetable oils and oilseeds, vegetables and preparations, and tobacco were somewhat less while those of animals and animal products, feed grains, and fruits and preparations were about the same as a year earlier.



**COTTON** Cotton exports this July-April were 3 million bales larger than a year earlier. July-April cotton exports, excluding linters, increased to 5.6 million running bales in fiscal year 1959-60 from the 2.6 million in the previous year. April exports of 669 thousand bales were 173 percent above the level a year earlier. Registrations under the payment-in-kind export program were 6.8 million bales as of June 17. For the fiscal year as a whole, exports are now expected to reach 6.7 million bales in 1959-60 compared with 3.1 million in 1958-59. The substantial gain is due to relatively low export prices for U. S. cotton, a drop in cotton production abroad, record high consumption in foreign free world countries, and some inventory buildup in foreign free world countries.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** Wheat and flour exports are now expected to reach 510 million bushels in fiscal year 1959-60. This estimate is 67 million bushels more than actual exports of 443 million in 1958-59. July-April exports, including USDA donations, were 413 million bushels, 14 percent more than the 362 million in 1958-59. April exports were 64 million bushels, a new record, surpassing the previous peak in April 1951 by 5 million bushels. The increase stemmed from the stepped-up shipments under Title I of Public Law 480. Exports under Title I are expected to total at least 300 million bushels for the year as against 230 million bushels for 1958-59.

Exports of feed grains held up despite increased competition from other major producers in the Western European market. Exports of feed grains in July-April of 1959-60 totaled 10.4 million short tons compared with 9.5 million a year earlier. April exports of 888 thousand short tons in 1960 were about 100 thousand larger than in 1959. Europe has taken over two-thirds of U. S. feed grain exports this fiscal year; more U. S. feed grains were imported to supplement reduced forage production following last summer's drought and to meet increased feed requirements of an expanding livestock industry. Exports have continued to do well this year despite increased competition from other major suppliers, especially Mexico and Argentina, and accumulated stocks of coarse grains on the European Continent. Exports for the remaining months of 1959-60 probably will total about the same as in 1958-59. With the big surge in exports in the first half of fiscal year 1959-60, exports for the full year will be 6 to 8 percent larger than in 1958-59.

April 1960 milled rice exports totaled 2.1 million bags. This was 1.2 million more than in April 1959. July-April exports of 16.6 million bags were 52 percent greater than the 10.9 million in 1958-59. The principal foreign outlets were Western Europe, Indonesia, Cuba, India, and Egypt. The year's total is likely to range between 19 and 20 million bags in fiscal year 1959-60 compared with 14.2 million in 1958-59. About one-half of the exports in 1959-60 is moving under Title I of Public Law 480, which has been the major factor accounting for the improvement.

**VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS** Exports of soybeans remained at record rate. July-April soybean exports of 106 million bushels were 25 percent larger than the 85 million shipped in 1958-59. The heavy movement was encouraged by (1) a strong demand for high protein oilseed cakes and meals last summer and fall, (2) availability of large U. S. supplies at competitive prices, and (3) reduced supplies from other major areas, such as peanuts from Africa. The record soybean movement from the



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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U. S. agricultural exports in the year ending June 30, 1960, are expected to equal the production from 57 million acres of cropland. This is one acre out of every 6 harvested. Food grains will account for 40 percent of the total export acreage harvested. Feed grains, including those fed to livestock, will account for 22 percent; soybeans, 14 percent; and cotton, 12 percent.

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Title I, P.L. 480 agreements announced since mid-May: ...Pakistan: \$520 thousand for nonfat dry milk (supplemental agreement). ...Chile: \$3.1 million for cotton and tobacco. ...Yugoslavia: \$18.8 million for cotton, soybean or cottonseed oil, lemons and lemon juice, and nonfat dry milk.

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Agricultural exporters can now get political risk guarantees from U. S. commercial banks and export credit insurance companies under a new program inaugurated by the Export-Import Bank. Guarantees apply to short term transactions and cover risks such as inconvertibility or nontransferability of foreign currencies; imposition of law or regulation which prevents delivery; cancellation of import license; war, hostilities, rebellion, and civil commotion; and expropriation of goods by foreign authorities.

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British purchases of U. S. frozen beef and lamb variety meats have been brisk since liberalization of this trade last November. British imports from the United States totaled 5.8 million pounds in the first quarter of 1960 compared with 1.8 million in the like quarter of 1959 and 1.3 million in the same period of 1958.

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Japan's record foreign exchange budget for April-September 1960 calls for larger purchases of cotton, wheat, and soybeans than in the October-March period. Under the new budget, Japan's expressed policy for liberalization of trade is taking shape; the Government has earmarked \$970 million, or 40 percent of total commodity import funds, for "automatic-approval" licensing. This amount is \$270 million greater than in the preceding 6 months, when about 33 percent was set aside.

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The U. S. Tariff Commission is investigating the list of import articles which the United States is considering for possible tariff concessions later this year. Concessions--yet to be determined--will be offered to other countries in return for more favorable treatment of U. S. exports in bargaining to take place at a multilateral tariff conference under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The Commission will determine the articles' "peril points", or limits beyond which concessions might seriously injure domestic industries producing like or directly competitive commodities.

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United States has occurred despite recent heavy northbound shipments of soybeans through the Suez Canal, primarily from mainland China. Imports of these beans by Western Europe, particularly West Germany, the United Kingdom, and the Netherlands, increased sharply.

Exports of edible vegetable oils are also expected to set a new record.

July-April exports of vegetable oils (cottonseed and soybean) increased to 1,282 million pounds in 1959-60 from the 836 million in 1958-59. All of the gain was in sales for dollars as exports under Government programs were slightly below those of a year earlier. With the prospect of increased exports under Title I of Public Law 480 toward the close of 1959-60 along with the high level of dollar sales throughout the year, exports of vegetable oils in fiscal 1959-60 will surpass the fiscal year 1956-57 record of 1,391 million pounds.

FRUITS AND PREPARATIONS      Exports of major fruit items were larger. July-April exports of fruits and preparations totaled \$211 million in 1959-60 compared with \$188 million in 1958-59. There were increases in major fruit items like fresh apples, fresh oranges, dried prunes, raisins, and canned fruits. Principal factors in the rise were the large U. S. production, increasingly higher standards of living in industrialized countries, especially in Western Europe, and some recent trade liberalizations.

VEGETABLES AND PREPARATIONS      Smaller exportable supplies after January 1960 limited exports of dry edible beans. July-April exports of vegetables and preparations totaled \$119 million in 1959-60 compared with \$106 million in 1958-59. The major items are fresh and canned vegetables and dried beans and peas. Vegetable exports in 1959-60 ran about 18 percent larger than in 1958-59 until April when they were only 12 percent larger, reflecting a substantial drop in dried beans. Bean exports stayed well ahead of a year earlier through January 1960, but thereafter they declined sharply due to the smaller U. S. exportable supplies of colored beans.

ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS      Exports of major animal products, except dairy products, were up. July-April exports of animals and animal products of \$492 million in 1959-60, including USDA donations, were 12 percent above the \$439 million in 1958-59. With the exception of dairy products, all major items--lard, tallow, poultry meats, hides and skins, and meats--were above the same period of 1958-59. Prosperous conditions, along with some trade liberalization in Western Europe and ample U. S. supplies at competitive prices, were the principal factors accounting for the increase. Although total exports of dairy products were somewhat below the level in 1958-59, exports other than USDA donations were up by 22 percent.

Exports of hides and skins were up slightly in volume and substantially in value. Hides and skins exports of 7.2 million pieces in July-April 1959-60 were 3 percent above the 7 million in the same period of 1958-59. Higher cattle hide and calf skin prices caused the export value to increase by 36 percent, which was considerably above the gain in volume. Sharp price increases reflected mainly lower production in the United States, smaller foreign exportable supplies, and the continued strong demand in the industrialized countries.



# IMPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Agricultural imports were up slightly. July-April imports totaled \$3,329 million, approximately 1 percent ahead of the \$3,307 million recorded during the corresponding period of 1958-59. Nominal increases in complementary (noncompetitive) products continued to offset the downward trend in supplementary (competitive) products that has been witnessed throughout the year.

July-April supplementary imports were down 2 percent. July-April supplementary imports totaled \$1,626 million, \$38 million or 2 percent below 1958-59. Though there were some increases in meat products, apparel wool, vegetables, and fruit products, they were more than offset by declines in dutiable cattle, grains and feeds, vegetable oils and oilseeds, and less significant commodities.

## U. S. agricultural imports by country of origin, July-March

Country	1958-59			1959-60		
	Supple-	Comple-	Total	Supple-	Comple-	Total
	mentary	mentary		mentary	mentary	
	: 1/	: 2/	:	: 1/	: 2/	:
	- Million dollars -			- Million dollars -		
Brazil . . . . .	38	360	398	35	360	395
Cuba . . . . .	287	2	289	282	2	284
Colombia . . . . .	3/	231	231	3/	215	215
Philippines . . . . .	152	8	160	173	7	180
Canada . . . . .	186	2	188	139	2	141
Mexico . . . . .	108	64	172	83	49	132
Indonesia . . . . .	1	71	72	1	99	100
Australia . . . . .	41	3/	41	95	3/	95
New Zealand . . . . .	72	18	90	66	21	87
Federation of Malaya . . .	3/	51	51	3/	91	91
Argentina . . . . .	64	27	91	39	28	67
Netherlands . . . . .	55	11	66	50	14	64
India . . . . .	25	20	45	31	28	59
Thailand . . . . .	4	42	46	5	49	54
Belgian Congo . . . . .	7	28	35	9	42	51
Turkey . . . . .	42	1	43	45	4	49
Guatemala . . . . .	3/	45	45	3/	49	49
Ecuador . . . . .	1	42	43	3/	45	45
Italy . . . . .	41	3	44	40	4	44
Other . . . . .	352	450	802	354	434	788
Total . . . . .	1,476	1,476	2,952	1,447	1,543	2,990

1/ Supplementary imports are somewhat similar to or interchangeable with domestic products. 2/ Complementary imports are generally not competitive with domestic products. 3/ Less than \$500 thousand.

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only.  
Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.



DOMESTIC EXPORTS: April 1959 and 1960 and July-April 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	April				July-April			
		Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cheese*	Lb.	541	707	225	329	49,474	13,232	13,875	5,237
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	4,376	5,623	624	869	92,199	81,479	14,716	12,640
Dried whole milk	Lb.	1,779	4,446	978	2,097	21,656	26,472	11,002	14,003
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	65,052	14,531	6,828	1,545	526,310	375,031	59,103	39,304
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,467	1,688	1,146	1,250	25,802	18,187	13,830	10,289
Hides and skins 3/	No.	569	754	3,947	4,997	6,960	7,157	42,671	58,030
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	2,039	2,640	832	1,049	20,521	25,530	8,253	9,891
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	4,431	7,078	1,565	1,945	49,160	63,974	16,967	18,071
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	6,668	7,092	1,565	1,414	71,223	88,165	17,085	17,314
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	6,479	17,930	1,934	4,986	61,078	127,781	19,437	34,583
Lard	Lb.	41,248	56,154	4,377	5,061	373,873	561,051	45,780	51,261
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	97,086	160,369	7,818	10,528	916,927	1,318,142	76,944	92,650
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (running bales)	Bale	245	669	31,332	86,659	2,645	5,611	352,828	691,704
Apples, fresh	Lb.	7,679	9,230	628	634	99,771	167,025	8,195	13,687
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	69,205	47,681	4,517	3,401	365,369	421,538	27,258	30,044
Prunes, dried	Lb.	2,932	3,556	768	893	59,123	69,694	13,512	16,592
Raisins and currants	Lb.	1,344	5,508	402	833	41,940	76,174	10,480	12,508
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	15,268	23,496	2,565	3,498	244,355	291,945	37,807	41,124
Orange juice	Gal.	1,084	1,704	2,026	2,804	9,950	11,329	19,098	19,148
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	6,492	5,662	7,448	6,566	96,615	98,362	110,143	104,028
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	16,448	17,752	22,044	23,250	162,349	178,827	212,800	231,956
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	4,839	7,354	5,651	8,360	80,965	85,735	95,331	95,462
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	2,071	3,102	1,692	2,718	23,435	38,005	16,635	27,824
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	92,956	212,487	7,163	16,107	1,085,809	1,655,641	80,710	112,180
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	65	100	91	140	8,044	3,977	9,929	5,029
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	31,653	54,949	55,206	91,238	297,788	333,740	513,410	564,949
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	2,823	3,814	10,999	14,980	27,603	33,964	122,112	139,545
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	45	33	2,962	2,350	414	782	26,874	51,389
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	1	1	2	4	4,915	7,631	14,484	24,597
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	9,410	8,471	21,916	19,135	84,729	106,027	195,521	241,089
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	57,402	99,975	7,043	9,522	630,625	758,805	80,350	81,945
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	96,890	49,876	12,242	5,198	206,592	522,934	25,907	64,756
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	24,180	14,360	17,414	9,467	422,559	403,636	312,756	301,954
Beans, dried*	Lb.	46,211	8,432	3,804	847	239,755	308,687	19,235	24,487
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	8,455	15,372	702	920	137,116	186,250	8,873	11,984
Potatoes, white	Lb.	22,542	43,823	540	1,532	224,416	249,596	5,564	7,147
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	7,766	4,914	1,095	760	78,865	75,538	11,875	11,489
Other agricultural commodities				44,212	45,441			418,488	479,949
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				296,303	393,327			3,089,838	3,769,839
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				1,155,831	1,412,534			11,248,513	11,754,569
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,452,134	1,805,861			14,338,351	15,524,408

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July-April complementary imports were 4 percent ahead of a year earlier. July-April complementary (noncompetitive) imports reached a total of \$1,703 million, \$60 million more than in 1958-59. Principal gains were in rubber, silk, carpet wool, spices, and tea, with corresponding declines in coffee and cocoa beans.

April imports totaled less than a year earlier. Both supplementary and complementary imports declined during the month of April as compared with a year earlier. April 1960 imports equaled \$336 million, \$18 million below those in April 1959. Supplementary imports at \$177 million were \$10 million below those of a year earlier. Increases in imports of fruits, nuts, vegetable oils and oilseeds, sugar, and tobacco were more than offset by declines in dutiable cattle, hides and skins, meat products, and apparel wool. April complementary imports totaled \$159 million, \$6 million less than a year earlier. Imports of coffee, cocoa beans, tea, and carpet wool declined, more than offsetting increases in rubber, silk, and spices.

Most agricultural imports came from a few countries. Although many countries are involved in the agricultural import trade of the United States, the bulk of the import trade is concentrated in shipments from a relatively few countries. In July-March of 1959-60, 15 countries accounted for about two-thirds of U. S. agricultural imports, with values ranging from a high of \$395 million for Brazil to \$51 million for Belgian Congo. Another significant point is the small degree of fluctuation in the value of imports from the major supplying countries. The major change this year was the \$54 million increase in imports from Australia, reflecting larger shipments of boneless meats. Other increases were noted for the Federation of Malaya, Belgian Congo, Indonesia, India, Thailand, and the Philippines. Most of these gains were in crude natural rubber and oilbearing materials. Imports from Canada and Mexico declined primarily because of reduced shipments of dutiable cattle.



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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Volume of U. S. agricultural exports reached an alltime high in 1959-60. When valued in constant dollars (1952-54 average prices) export volume in the past fiscal year is estimated to have been about 30 percent above the 1958-59 level and 3 percent above the volume in 1956-57, which was the previous record. Increased exports of several major commodities for dollars played a big part in the new record. At the same time, exports under specified Government-financed programs increased slightly.

### U. S. agricultural exports, fiscal year

Commodity	1958-59 1/	1959-60 2/	Chg. 3/
	Million dollars	Pct.	
Cotton	413	823	+99
Grains & feeds 3/	1,523	1,703	+12
Wheat & flour 3/	776	876	+13
Feed grains 3/ 4/	527	533	+1
Rice, milled 3/	104	137	+32
Tobacco, unmd.	350	339	-3
Veg. oils & seeds	425	544	+28
Soybeans	238	306	+29
Ed. veg. oils 5/	136	176	+29
Fruits & preps.	229	246	+7
Vegs. & preps. 3/	135	146	+8
Animals & prods. 3/	533	582	+9
Fats & oils	159	186	+17
Meats & prods.	94	114	+21
Hides & skins	55	71	+29
Dairy products 3/	144	121	-16
Other 3/	111	132	+19
Total	3,719	4,515	+21

1/ Partly revised. 2/ Partly estimated. 3/ Includes private relief. 4/ Excludes products. 5/ Cottonseed and soybean.

Value of exports in 1959-60 was second highest on record. Agricultural exports valued at current prices are estimated at \$4,515 million, only \$213 million under the record \$4,728 million in 1956-57, when exports rose substantially due to the Suez crisis and the economic boom in Western Europe. Last year's value was over one-fifth larger than the \$3,719 million in fiscal year 1958-59. Cotton accounted for 52 percent of last year's \$796 million increase; wheat and flour, 13 percent; soybeans, 9 percent; animals and animal products, 6 percent; cottonseed oil and soybean oil, 5 percent; milled rice, 4 percent; fruits, vegetables, and preparations, 4 percent; and other commodities, 7 percent.

Important export records were set for certain commodities. Export records were set in 1959-60 for



feed grains, soybeans, protein meal, poultry meat, tallow, and combined shipments of cottonseed oil and soybean oil. Both wheat and rice exports were the second largest in history, and lard exports were the second largest since World War II. Cotton exports were second highest in over a quarter of a century.

About 71 percent of the year's exports represented dollar sales. Export sales for dollars in fiscal 1959-60 amounted to \$3.2 billion--\$800 million higher than the previous year's \$2.4 billion and second largest in history. This gain reflects to a considerable extent export payments, under payment-in-kind programs, on cotton, wheat, rice, and--part of the time--feed grains. However, shipments of several other commodities for which no payments were made also expanded. These included soybeans, vegetable oils, fruits and fruit juices, and animals and animal products. Only 29 percent of total agricultural exports were under special programs, mainly Public Law 480. Exports under these programs increased by \$43 million.

**COTTON** Cotton exports in fiscal year 1959-60 are estimated at 6.6 million bales. This was more than twice as much as the 3.1 million running bales in the previous year and was exceeded only once in the past 26 years--in 1956-57. Principal factors in last year's increase were the rising consumption in major textile manufacturing countries following the 1958 textile recession, ample supplies of U. S. cotton at competitive prices, smaller exportable supplies in major foreign producing countries, and some inventory rebuilding in major textile manufacturing countries. Main foreign outlets for U. S. cotton were Western Europe, Japan, and Canada.

**GRAINS AND FEEDS** Wheat and flour exports were the second highest in history. Shipments, estimated at 511 million bushels, were 68 million bushels greater than the 443 million in 1958-59 although 39 million less than the alltime high of 550 million in 1956-57. Exports were equivalent to about one-half of the 1959 crop. The expansion reflected stepped-up shipments under Title I of Public Law 480, which rose from 231 million bushels in 1958-59 to 301 million in 1959-60. Last year's export rise was primarily in increased shipments to UAR-Egypt, Brazil, Poland, Pakistan, Turkey, and Uruguay. India remained the largest foreign outlet, taking over 100 million bushels.

Last year's exports of feed grains topped previous record. Feed grain exports totaled nearly 12 million short tons in 1959-60, exceeding the previous peak in 1958-59 by half a million tons. Exports rose sharply in the first half of 1959-60, but declined in the latter half because of increased competition from other major suppliers, especially Mexico and Argentina. Last year, Western Europe was the largest foreign outlet, taking over two-thirds of U. S. exports. Europe imported more U. S. feed grains to supplement reduced forage production following last summer's drought and to meet increased feed requirements of the expanding livestock industry.

Rice exports were second largest in history. Rice shipments are estimated at 20.5 million bags (100 lbs. each) in fiscal year 1959-60, 44 percent larger than the 14.2 million in 1958-59 and 23 percent below the 26.5 million record in 1956-57. Western Europe, Indonesia, Cuba, India, and Egypt



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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Five groups of agricultural industry representatives met recently with USDA officials in Washington, D. C. to discuss the U. S. position and actions at the forthcoming negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The discussants called for a lowering of foreign trade barriers hindering exports and voiced concern over new barriers that might arise if draft agricultural policies of the European Economic Community (Common Market) go into effect. Industry groups included those dealing in livestock and livestock products; fats and oils; grains, rice, beans, and peas; poultry; and dairy products.

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The Export-Import Bank is lending Japan \$40 million to finance purchases of U. S. cotton in the 1960-61 crop year. The new loan--the 12th for cotton since 1948--is \$10 million larger than last year's.

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The U. S. Tariff Commission has begun a general investigation of competition between California- and foreign-produced fresh fruits and vegetables. The investigation is being undertaken under Section 332 of the Tariff Act of 1930 pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

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Italy on June 15 liberalized dollar imports of fresh, chilled, or frozen red meat (including variety meats); vegetables; oats; oilseeds; sausage; cocoa; sweetened forage; potato flour and flakes; and various starches. However, Italy continues to require licenses for dollar imports of corn, barley, grain sorghums, canned and frozen fruits, fruit and vegetable juices, vegetable oils, poultry products, lard, and honey.

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West Germany on July 1 liberalized certain forage and pasture seed imports--6 months sooner than scheduled under GATT.

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Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced since mid-June: ...Spain: \$64 million for cottonseed and/or soybean oil, cotton, tobacco, barley, and corn. ...Viet-Nam: \$800 thousand for wheat and/or wheat flour (supplemental agreement). ...Israel: \$7.4 million for feed grains (supplemental agreement). ...Poland: \$130 million for wheat, barley, corn, grain sorghums, cotton, cottonseed and/or soybean oil, tobacco, and non-fat dry milk. ...Iran: \$3.7 million for wheat.

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The recently organized United States Feed Grains Council is expected to give a vigorous new push to exports of feed grains. The Council will work closely with FAS and its export promotion operations, making use of local currencies accruing from Title I Public Law 480 sales.



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were the principal foreign markets last year. Rice exports to Cuba were about one-fourth less than in 1958-59. About half of all the rice exported from the United States moved under Title I of Public Law 480, which was the main factor in attaining last year's high level.

**VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS**      Exports of soybeans set new record. Soybean exports are estimated at 134 million bushels in fiscal year 1959-60, 30 percent larger than the previous record of 103 million in 1958-59. The increase reflected strong foreign demand for high protein oilseed cakes and meals last summer and fall, large exportable supplies of U. S. soybeans at competitive prices, and reduced foreign supplies of other oilseeds and oils. Important foreign outlets were Japan, West Germany, the United Kingdom, and the Netherlands.

Exports of edible vegetable oils surpassed the previous record by 177 million pounds. Exports of vegetable oils (cottonseed and soybean) totaled an estimated 1,570 million pounds in fiscal year 1959-60 compared with 1,079 million a year earlier. Last year's volume was 13 percent larger than the previous record of 1,393 million pounds in 1956-57. The increase over 1958-59 was mainly in dollar sales while exports under Government programs were about the same in both years.

**TOBACCO**      Exports of tobacco were down by 4 percent in fiscal year 1959-60. Unmanufactured tobacco exports estimated at 455 million pounds were 18 million pounds below the 473 million a year earlier. Developments contributing to the decline were the continuation of foreign trade barriers against U. S. leaf by many of the major importing countries, the relatively higher price for U. S. leaf compared with prices for similar foreign growths, and the record 1960 tobacco crop in Rhodesia.

**FRUITS AND PREPARATIONS**      Exports of fruits and preparations last year were the second highest on record. Exports of fruits and preparations in fiscal year 1959-60 are estimated at \$246 million compared with \$229 million in 1958-59. Last year's exports were only 6 percent smaller than the record of \$262 million in 1957-58. Principal increases were in fresh apples, fresh oranges, dried prunes, raisins, and canned fruits. The expansion of exports was brought about primarily by ample supplies in the United States, prosperous conditions in Western Europe, and some dollar liberalization.

**VEGETABLES AND PREPARATIONS**      Exports of vegetables and preparations as a group were helped by record shipments of dried beans. Exports of vegetables and preparations in fiscal year 1959-60, estimated at \$146 million, were 8 percent above the \$135 million a year earlier. Major items were fresh and canned vegetables and dried beans and peas. Dried bean exports are estimated at a record 390 million pounds for 1959-60 compared with 341 million in the previous fiscal year. Dried pea exports, estimated at 210 million pounds, were the highest in over a decade. The heavy exports of beans and peas reflected reduced crops in Europe and Latin America.



ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS      Exports of major animal products were up in fiscal year 1959-60. Exports of animals and animal products, including USDA donations, are estimated at \$582 million in fiscal year 1959-60, 9 percent ahead of the \$533 million in 1958-59. Shipments of lard, tallow, poultry meats, and variety meats were stimulated last year by plentiful U. S. supplies and relatively low prices. While total exports of dairy products last year declined considerably, exports other than USDA donations were one-fifth larger. Egg exports were somewhat less.

Both lard and tallow exports gained substantially last year, with tallow setting a new record. Tallow exports in fiscal year 1959-60, at an estimated 1,598 million pounds, were 43 percent larger than the 1,196 million a year earlier. Exports were encouraged by ample U. S. supplies at competitive prices, reflecting increased slaughter of cattle at heavier weights. Foreign markets, which took about half of U. S. output, were principally Italy, Japan, and the Netherlands. Lard exports of an estimated 660 million pounds were the second largest since World War II. The United Kingdom was the major foreign outlet. Increased hog slaughter resulted in plentiful supplies at reduced prices. In addition, shipping most of the lard in tankers reduced the price in the foreign market by about 10 percent.

#### IMPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-May agricultural imports showed little change from a year earlier. July-May agricultural imports in 1959-60 totaled \$3,671 million, slightly higher than the \$3,667 million in 1958-59. An increase in complementary (noncompetitive) imports of \$45 million more than offset a decline in supplementary (competitive) imports of \$42 million. Major complementary gain was in crude rubber, followed by smaller increases in silk, bananas, spices, and tea. There were value reductions in coffee and cocoa beans. Among the supplementary products, increases in beef and veal, hides and skins, copra, and fresh tomatoes were canceled by declines in live cattle, pork, feeds and fodders, and vegetable oils. For the year ending June 30, 1960, imports are likely to equal those of the previous year--\$4 billion--and to be about evenly divided between supplementary and complementary commodities.

Both supplementary and complementary imports were lower in May. Both groups totaled \$342 million in May 1960, 5 percent lower than in May 1959. Supplementary imports alone, valued at \$181 million, were \$4 million below a year earlier. The declines in dutiable cattle, apparel wool, and beef and veal exceeded the increases in cane sugar, nuts and preparations, and tomatoes. Complementary imports meanwhile totaled \$161 million in May 1960, \$15 million less than in May 1959. Value declines in coffee, carpet wool, and rubber accounted for the decrease.

July-May imports of beef, veal, and mutton increased in 1959-60. A decline in the domestic slaughter of low grade cattle during the past 2 years with a resultant sharp rise in prices of low grade meat has encouraged imports of boneless and canned beef. July-May beef and veal imports rose



## DOMESTIC EXPORTS: May 1959 and 1960 and July-May 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	May				July-May			
		Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cheese*	Lb.	877	689	316	327	50,351	13,921	14,191	5,564
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	4,525	5,932	688	946	96,725	87,410	15,404	13,587
Dried whole milk	Lb.	1,535	2,787	854	1,378	23,191	29,259	11,856	15,381
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	110,538	29,489	9,659	3,716	636,848	404,520	68,762	43,020
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,275	1,469	878	1,020	27,077	19,656	14,707	11,308
Hides and skins 3/	No.	863	795	7,229	6,043	7,823	7,952	49,901	64,074
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	2,283	2,062	915	799	22,805	27,592	9,168	10,690
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	5,709	5,948	1,748	2,144	54,869	69,922	18,716	20,215
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	7,420	7,986	1,569	1,580	78,642	96,151	18,655	18,893
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	8,718	10,746	2,556	3,065	69,795	138,527	21,993	37,648
Lard	Lb.	45,163	49,825	4,830	4,678	419,036	610,876	50,610	55,939
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	96,169	139,646	7,790	9,180	1,013,096	1,457,788	84,734	101,830
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	248	524	30,585	69,097	2,893	6,135	383,414	760,800
Apples, fresh	Lb.	7,053	7,883	543	606	106,824	174,908	8,738	14,293
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	65,731	56,848	4,357	4,077	431,100	478,386	31,615	34,122
Prunes, dried	Lb.	2,174	2,784	574	664	61,297	72,478	14,085	17,255
Raisins and currants	Lb.	1,289	3,102	373	438	43,229	79,276	10,853	12,946
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	12,388	21,385	2,075	3,181	256,743	313,331	39,882	44,305
Orange juice	Gal.	1,130	1,331	2,382	2,036	11,080	12,659	21,480	21,184
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	3,956	3,613	4,366	3,912	100,571	101,975	114,509	107,941
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	21,451	15,289	28,616	20,469	183,800	194,116	241,416	252,425
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	6,849	8,292	8,261	9,322	87,814	94,027	103,591	104,784
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	2,183	637	1,606	493	25,618	38,642	18,241	28,316
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	142,743	194,157	8,853	12,570	1,228,552	1,849,799	89,563	124,750
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	285	489	388	693	8,329	4,465	10,317	5,722
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	36,902	47,240	63,906	81,665	334,691	380,981	577,315	646,614
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	3,615	2,617	14,599	10,602	31,218	36,580	136,711	150,147
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	26	38	1,762	2,544	441	820	28,636	53,933
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	244	129	712	360	5,158	7,760	15,196	24,958
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	9,219	14,129	21,751	32,624	93,948	120,156	217,272	273,714
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	111,568	109,760	12,924	10,860	742,193	868,565	93,274	92,805
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	52,938	27,816	6,460	2,989	259,530	550,750	32,367	67,745
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	24,951	23,437	18,882	17,654	447,510	427,074	331,638	319,607
Beans, dried*	Lb.	54,977	40,389	4,335	3,207	294,733	349,076	23,570	27,694
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	6,423	12,154	466	752	143,539	198,403	9,338	12,736
Potatoes, white	Lb.	29,942	57,114	880	1,909	254,357	306,710	6,444	9,057
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	7,369	7,115	863	1,092	86,234	82,653	12,738	12,581
Other agricultural commodities				45,478	44,829			463,967	524,778
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				325,029	373,521			3,414,867	4,143,361
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				1,210,233	1,402,048			12,458,746	13,156,616
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,535,262	1,775,569			15,873,613	17,299,977

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

\* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): May 1959 and 1960 and July-May 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity imported	Unit	May		Value		Quantity		July-May		Value	
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
SUPPLEMENTARY											
Cattle, dutiable .....	No.	95	76	12,068	6,919	995	592	118,465	1,000	118,465	1,000
Casein or lactarene .....	Lb.	6,146	7,565	1,056	1,414	85,601	80,295	16,145	15,618	16,145	15,618
Cheese .....	Lb.	4,268	4,670	2,006	2,059	53,967	56,894	25,587	28,071	25,587	28,071
Hides and skins .....	Lb.	18,728	16,201	7,591	7,571	161,883	144,787	63,569	71,528	63,569	71,528
Beef and veal, total 2/ .....	Lb.	43,688	36,220	15,957	13,247	470,689	550,528	167,978	192,733	167,978	192,733
Pork, total 2/ .....	Lb.	15,689	14,646	9,477	8,607	180,224	148,110	118,223	97,735	118,223	97,735
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/ .....	Lb.	5,596	3,706	1,420	771	38,109	48,907	9,576	10,415	9,576	10,415
Sausage casings .....	Lb.	1,226	1,132	920	926	13,861	13,472	11,006	10,042	11,006	10,042
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight) .....	Lb.	15,813	7,429	9,705	5,883	136,461	122,749	88,237	87,874	88,237	87,874
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (480 lb.) .....	Bale	4	1	343	126	135	143	24,651	21,430	24,651	21,430
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.) .....	Ton	7	6	1,379	889	41	70	8,436	11,213	8,436	11,213
Olives in brine .....	Gal.	1,168	1,585	1,803	1,890	12,084	13,168	18,343	17,543	18,343	17,543
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved .....	Lb.	6,577	7,325	768	903	72,228	98,258	8,344	11,433	8,344	11,433
Barley, grain (48 lb.) .....	Bu.	609	1,113	779	1,513	10,305	13,626	13,691	17,889	13,691	17,889
Oats, grain (32 lb.) .....	Bu.	146	101	156	116	3,167	1,735	2,781	1,831	2,781	1,831
Wheat, grain (60 lb.) .....	Bu.	359	388	583	644	7,275	6,412	11,281	10,526	11,281	10,526
Feeds and fodders .....	Bu.	3/	3/	1,095	405	3/	3/	14,332	7,284	14,332	7,284
Nuts and preparations .....	Lb.	66,217	69,922	4,332	6,125	571,120	654,513	59,620	63,317	59,620	63,317
Copra .....	Lb.	51,050	39,414	6,898	6,627	496,140	467,386	51,735	61,636	51,735	61,636
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed .....	Lb.	3/	3/	954	7,577	821	3/	88,077	83,807	88,077	83,807
Seeds, field and garden .....	Ton	477	545	51,476	58,305	4,116	4,233	11,460	17,906	11,460	17,906
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.) .....	Gal.	28,218	58,352	3,142	4,609	283,963	327,776	452,314	456,191	452,314	456,191
Molasses, unfit for human consumption .....	Lb.	13,306	13,062	9,899	9,768	139,367	142,307	33,030	29,993	33,030	29,993
Tobacco, unmanufactured .....	Lb.	7,854	24,061	697	2,041	236,394	306,169	103,349	104,646	103,349	104,646
Tomatoes, natural state .....	Lb.	30,410	31,137	30,410	31,137	306,169	306,169	17,562	23,374	17,562	23,374
Other supplementary .....								310,816	291,931	310,816	291,931
Total supplementary .....				184,715	180,893			1,848,626	1,807,104	1,848,626	1,807,104
COMPLEMENTARY											
Silk, raw .....	Lb.	760	395	2,854	1,615	4,812	6,363	16,662	25,228	16,662	25,228
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight) .....	Lb.	23,557	13,788	11,336	7,912	216,503	191,393	99,176	103,593	99,176	103,593
Bananas .....	Bunch	4,324	5,537	6,623	7,812	45,598	51,445	65,629	72,359	65,629	72,359
Cocoa or cacao beans .....	Lb.	46,834	68,078	16,497	16,739	405,116	458,834	150,369	136,152	150,369	136,152
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico) .....	Lb.	249,010	240,200	93,049	82,329	2,635,928	2,751,161	1,028,149	962,501	1,028,149	962,501
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc. .....	Lb.	358	382	733	640	4,250	4,259	9,153	7,497	9,153	7,497
Tea .....	Lb.	10,071	10,588	4,519	5,159	99,722	106,269	46,652	51,554	46,652	51,554
Spices (complementary) .....	Lb.	6,554	6,866	2,766	3,939	78,769	88,121	31,881	40,629	31,881	40,629
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.) .....	Ton	4	2	1,610	1,275	42	27	14,186	13,233	14,186	13,233
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.) .....	Ton	10	6	1,389	1,100	112	100	16,852	16,809	16,852	16,809
Rubber, crude .....	Lb.	101,808	71,720	28,362	26,815	1,097,843	1,047,998	273,005	355,716	273,005	355,716
Other complementary .....				6,153	6,082			66,869	78,122	66,869	78,122
Total complementary .....				175,891	161,417			1,818,583	1,863,993	1,818,583	1,863,993
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES .....				360,606	342,310			3,667,209	3,671,097	3,667,209	3,671,097
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES .....				866,679	910,824			8,892,426	10,329,266	8,892,426	10,329,266
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES .....				1,247,285	1,253,134			12,559,635	14,000,363	12,559,635	14,000,363

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only.

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from 471 million pounds (product weight) in 1958-59 to 551 million in 1959-60. Monthly imports after December 1959 tended to run behind a year earlier. Mutton imports rose as the result of a strong demand for this product as a substitute for low grade beef in the manufacture of frankfurters. July-May imports of fresh and frozen mutton, goat, and lamb increased from 38 million pounds in 1958-59 to 49 million in 1959-60; however, April-May imports in 1960 were smaller than in 1959.

Fewer cattle and less pork were imported in 1959-60. Imports of dutiable cattle dropped sharply as stronger demand in both Mexico and Canada, our leading suppliers, left fewer animals available for export. July-May dutiable cattle imports fell from 995 thousand head in 1958-59 to 592 thousand in 1959-60. Increased U. S. hog slaughter resulted in a decline in pork imports from 180 million to 148 million pounds.

Wool imports declined as world prices increased. July-May wool imports decreased in volume from 1958-59 to 1959-60 as world wool prices advanced to higher levels. All of the \$5 million value rise occurred in carpet wool. Carpet wool imports declined in volume from 216 million pounds (actual weight) to 191 million, and apparel wool imports declined from 136 million pounds to 123 million. U. S. woolen manufacturers have drawn heavily on accumulated wool stocks purchased at lower prices.



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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Agricultural exports in July were 9 percent ahead of a year earlier. July exports totaled \$359 million in 1960 compared with \$328 million in 1959. Cotton was the principal commodity to show a substantial increase, reflecting largely the increased foreign consumption and replenishment of low stocks abroad. Other major exports which were larger in July included wheat and flour and rice. Declines occurred in vegetable oils and oilseeds, feed grains, and tobacco. Exports of animals and animal products, **fruits**, and vegetables remained close to year-earlier levels.

U. S. agricultural exports,  
by commodity, fiscal year

Commodity	:1958-59: 1/	:1959-60: 2/	:Chg. Pct.
	Million dollars		
Cotton	413	826	+100
Grains & feeds 2/	1,523	1,702	+12
Wheat & flour 2/	776	875	+13
Feed grains 2/ 3/	527	543	+3
Rice, milled 2/	104	136	+31
Tobacco, unmfed.	350	342	-2
Veg. oils & seeds	425	546	+28
Soybeans	238	303	+27
Ed. veg. oils 4/	136	178	+31
Fruits & preps.	229	250	+9
Vegs. & preps. 2/	135	150	+11
Animals & prods. 2/	533	583	+9
Fats & oils	159	185	+16
Meats & prods.	94	113	+20
Hides & skins	55	69	+25
Dairy products 2/	144	127	-12
Other 2/	111	128	+15
Total	3,719	4,527	+22

1/ Partly revised. 2/ Includes private relief. 3/ Excludes products. 4/ Cottonseed and soybean.

Actual exports in fiscal year 1960 totaled \$4,527 million. This total was 22 percent above the \$3,719 million in the previous year. This level--second highest on record--was only \$201 million less than the record of \$4,728 million in fiscal year 1957. All principal commodity groups, except tobacco, were larger last year than in 1958-59. (For latest data see tables on this page and on page 6; for detailed analysis, see previous issue.)

Sales for dollars in 1960 were the second highest on record. Last year's \$0.8 billion increase in U. S. agricultural exports was largely the result of expanded sales for dollars inasmuch as Government-financed-program shipments increased only negligibly. Dollar exports expanded from \$2.4 billion in fiscal year 1959 to \$3.2 billion in 1960. Last year's exports for dollars were only \$200 million less than in the record year 1952.



Government-financed export programs accounted for 29 percent of fiscal year 1960 shipments. Exports under Public Law 480 and Mutual Security programs totaled \$1,300 million, about the same as in the two previous years. Exports increased under Title I, Title II, and barter programs of Public Law 480 and declined under the welfare donation program of Public Law 480 and the Mutual Security program. Wheat and flour exports accounted for 50 percent of Government-financed exports; feed grains, 13 percent; cotton, 12 percent; vegetable oils and oilseeds, 9 percent; rice, 6 percent; tobacco, 5 percent; and other commodities, 5 percent.

Over two-thirds of last year's exports went to 14 countries. The value of U. S. exports to these countries ranged from \$475 million for the United Kingdom to \$74 million for the Republic of Korea. The five best markets--the United Kingdom, Japan, Canada, West Germany, and the Netherlands--accounted for over half of the value gain last year. The top five each took over \$300 million of U. S. farm products, and all were important dollar markets. The other countries which took more U. S. farm products included India, Italy, Belgium, France, UAR-Egypt, Poland, and Venezuela. Declines occurred in exports to Cuba and the Republic of Korea.

## IMPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Agricultural imports were slightly larger in 1960. U. S. agricultural imports for consumption totaled \$4,017 million in fiscal year 1960 compared with \$4,004 million a year earlier. Imports last year were the sixth highest on record. In the past 5 years they have been remarkably stable, with values ranging from \$3.8 billion in 1956-57 to \$4.1 billion in 1955-56. Relatively strong domestic demand for some commodities, especially livestock and meats, and the continued high level of U. S. economic activity were the main factors in the continuing stability of agricultural imports.

### U. S. agricultural exports by country of destination, fiscal year

Country	1958-59	1959-60	Change
	Million dollars		Pct.
United Kingdom	399	475	+19
Japan	317	441	+39
Canada	355	410	+15
West Germany	274	374	+36
Netherlands	242	339	+40
India	251	279	+11
Italy	106	155	+46
Belgium	105	134	+27
Cuba	144	125	-13
France	65	119	+83
Egypt	36	95	+164
Venezuela	87	95	+9
Poland	59	93	+58
Korea	80	74	-7
Other	1,199	1,319	+10
Total	3,719	4,527	+22

### Supplementary imports declined last year.

Imports of supplementary products--items similar to or interchangeable with those of U. S. agriculture--fell from \$2,029 million in 1959 to \$1,982 million in 1960. Declines in imports of dutiable cattle and pork accounted for a considerable drop in supplementary imports, but there were substantial gains in beef and veal, hides and skins, and vegetable oils.

### Small rise in complementary imports offset supplementary decline.

Imports of complementary (noncompetitive) products increased from \$1,975 million in 1959 to \$2,035 million in 1960. The \$81 million gain in imports of crude natural



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

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U. S. voluntary relief agencies will have 180 million pounds of rice and up to 500 million pounds of nonfat dry milk available for foreign donation this fiscal year, according to an announcement by Secretary Benson at a Food-for-Peace Conference of U. S. Voluntary Agencies, in Washington, D. C., September 1. Twenty agencies and the United Nations Children's Fund are currently donating nonfat dry milk, flour, cornmeal, and rice to more than 60 million needy persons in 90 countries and territories. Donations of surplus foods since 1953 have totaled nearly 9 billion pounds costing \$1 $\frac{1}{2}$  billion (70 percent dairy products).

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Agricultural implications of U. S.-Cuban relations are indicated by the fact that last year Cuba was the sixth largest cash customer for U. S. farm products--taking \$132 million worth, mainly pork, pork products, and grains. Cuba is orienting its predominantly Government-controlled trade towards the Sino-Soviet Bloc. A recent commercial pact with Communist China guarantees the annual purchase of 500,000 tons of Cuban sugar for 5 years. Cuba is also trying to become self-sufficient in food.

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U. S. agriculture continues to go after the big food-importing markets of Western Europe. This month USDA and U. S. agricultural groups are jointly sponsoring promotional exhibits of U. S. foods at London and Munich. London is the scene of the biennial British Food Fair, September 1-17; Munich, the IKOFA International Exhibition of Groceries and High Class Provisions, September 23-October 2. Products being promoted include wheat, rice, honey, meat, poultry, lard, soybeans, fruit, nonfat dry milk, canned soups, prepared food mixes, and processed packaged foods.

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Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced since July 25: ...Iran: \$3.7 million for wheat. ...India: \$41.6 million for cotton (supplemental agreement. ...UAR-Egypt: \$58.2 million for wheat or flour. ...UAR-Syria: \$17 million for wheat or flour. ...Chile: \$300 thousand for corn. ...Taiwan: \$14.2 million for wheat or flour, vegetable oil, cotton, and tobacco.

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The U. S. livestock and meat industry, which already has a good market from Dutch traders who transship to other countries, may soon develop a market in the Netherlands itself. On July 1 the Netherlands removed restrictions on imports for consumption of pork, bacon, and live hogs (other than pedigreed breeding stock) from all member countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, including the United States.

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Colombia's recent purchase of 746 head of U. S. breeding sheep represented the largest shipment since 1946. Colombia does not produce enough wool for its needs and is developing its sheep and wool industry.



rubber more than accounted for the total gain of \$60 million. Other increases were in spices, raw silk, carpet wool, bananas, and tea. Value declines reflecting lower prices occurred in coffee, cocoa beans, and hard fibers.

**SUPPLEMENTARY IMPORTS** Imports of dutiable cattle declined by 430 thousand head in fiscal year 1960. Dutiable cattle imports, which have been over 1 million head in the past 2 years, fell to 629 million in 1960. This substantial drop is attributed to the larger U. S. supplies and lower prices of feeder-type cattle and increased Canadian prices for feeder cattle.

Small marketings of manufacturing-type beef and veal encouraged imports. Imports of beef and veal rose from 527 million pounds in 1959 to 593 million in 1960. U. S. production of processing and manufacturing meats in the past 2 or 3 years has been relatively low as U. S. farmers and ranchers held back culling their cattle in order to build up herds.

Imports of pork declined as U. S. production increased last year. Imports of pork declined from 196 million pounds in 1959 to 166 million in 1960. Most of the decline was in fresh, chilled, and frozen pork from Canada. The United States depended less on imports of pork as U. S. production increased by 10 percent. Over two-thirds of the imported pork consisted of canned hams and shoulders which have a stable market in the United States and generally sell at higher prices than corresponding domestic products.

Imports of hides and skins declined due to reduced demand. Hides and skins imports of 160 million pounds in 1960 were 11 percent below the 184 million a year earlier. Factors contributing to the decline were a drop in domestic demand in the second half and higher foreign prices in the first half of fiscal year 1960.

Imports of apparel wool also declined in 1960. Apparel wool imports totaled 133 million pounds in 1960 compared with 148 million a year earlier. This decline reflected the drawing on inventories of wool stocks, a leveling off in consumption, a continued rise in domestic output, and higher world prices. During 1959, when world prices were relatively low, manufacturers increased imports to build up stocks and to meet rapidly expanding demand. Following a price spurt at the end of fiscal 1959 and with the upturn in mill use slowing down, stocks were reduced in 1960.

Sugar imports were record high in fiscal year 1960. Imports of cane sugar rose from 4.6 million short tons in 1959 to 4.7 million in 1960, a new record. Cuba shipped a greater proportion of its quota earlier this season than a year ago. Some countries were able to ship more sugar to the United States because of an adjustment in the sugar quota owing to the deficit in some of the U. S. production areas.

Increased cigarette consumption required more foreign tobacco. Imports of unmanufactured tobacco increased from 152 million pounds in 1959 to 157 million in 1960, a new record. U. S. cigarette manufacturers increased output over 1959 and used more oriental-type leaf in their blends.



DOMESTIC EXPORTS: July 1959 and 1960 <sup>1/</sup>

Commodity exported	Unit	July			
		Quantity		Value <sup>2/</sup>	
		1959	1960	1959	1960
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cheese* .....	Lb.	638	732	271	352
Evaporated milk* .....	Lb.	17,073	14,038	2,638	2,232
Dried whole milk .....	Lb.	2,560	2,401	1,399	1,448
Nonfat dry milk* .....	Lb.	74,629	55,075	7,617	6,249
Eggs, in the shell .....	Doz.	1,164	1,969	765	1,036
Hides and skins <sup>3/</sup> .....	No.	611	891	5,610	6,088
Beef and veal, total <sup>4/</sup> .....	Lb.	2,095	1,770	828	729
Pork, total <sup>4/</sup> .....	Lb.	5,788	3,006	1,606	973
Variety meats <sup>5/</sup> .....	Lb.	7,487	8,143	1,588	1,810
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen <sup>4/</sup> .	Lb.	10,364	10,683	2,847	3,083
Lard .....	Lb.	58,365	42,940	5,601	4,366
Tallow, edible and inedible .....	Lb.	115,015	131,744	8,753	8,637
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters					
(running bales) .....	Bale	129	676	15,432	86,359
Apples, fresh .....	Lb.	3,893	4,840	289	405
Oranges and tangerines, fresh .....	Lb.	60,976	48,980	4,320	3,502
Prunes, dried .....	Lb.	1,270	4,193	336	1,040
Raisins and currants .....	Lb.	1,556	2,865	405	418
Fruits, canned <sup>6/</sup> .....	Lb.	21,844	16,503	3,271	2,558
Orange juice .....	Gal.	821	1,053	1,672	1,931
Barley, grain (48 lb.) .....	Bu.	13,943	5,717	13,614	5,972
Corn, grain (56 lb.)* .....	Bu.	22,472	15,881	29,117	20,550
Grain sorghums (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	8,091	9,687	8,818	10,853
Oats, grain (32 lb.) .....	Bu.	9,126	1,991	5,930	1,514
Rice, milled, excludes paddy* .....	Lb.	143,015	152,529	9,333	9,909
Rye, grain (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	433	1,007	558	982
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)* .....	Bu.	33,981	37,571	58,150	64,233
Flour, wholly of U.S. wheat (100 lb)*	Bag	2,451	2,383	11,318	10,397
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb)	Ton	45	38	3,099	2,431
Flaxseed (56 lb.) .....	Bu.	2,349	628	7,280	2,008
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.) ....	Bu.	9,850	9,210	23,193	21,369
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc. ...	Lb.	155,386	80,582	18,140	8,560
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined etc. .	Lb.	66,414	27,836	10,587	3,218
Tobacco, unmanufactured .....	Lb.	23,070	20,560	16,754	14,674
Beans, dried* .....	Lb.	52,461	23,258	4,078	1,793
Peas, dried (ex. cowpeas & chickpeas)	Lb.	5,159	10,971	297	595
Potatoes, white .....	Lb.	25,272	47,898	801	1,222
Vegetables, canned <sup>6/</sup> .....	Lb.	8,094	10,065	1,282	1,539
Other agricultural commodities .....				40,156	43,542
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES .				327,753	358,577
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMM. ....				1,126,198	1,323,822
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES .....				1,453,951	1,682,399

<sup>1/</sup> Preliminary. <sup>2/</sup> At place of export. <sup>3/</sup> Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. <sup>4/</sup> Product weight. <sup>5/</sup> Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. <sup>6/</sup> Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".  
 \* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".



DOMESTIC EXPORTS: June 1959 and 1960 and July-June 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	June		July-June		Value 2/		Quantity		Value 2/		Quantity		Value 2/	
		1959	1960	1959	1960	dollars	1,000	Thousands	1960	dollars	1,000	Thousands	1959-60	dollars	1,000
Cheese*	Lb.	722	633	311	288			51,073		14,554		14,554		14,502	5,851
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	5,983	9,386	860	1,518			102,708		96,797		96,797		16,264	15,104
Dried whole milk	Lb.	2,203	2,525	1,258	1,493			25,394		31,703		31,703		13,114	16,833
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	69,991	56,400	6,315	7,554			706,839		463,587		463,587		75,077	51,059
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,064	937	718	704			28,141		20,593		20,593		15,426	12,013
Hides and skins 3/	No.	657	760	5,427	5,223			8,479		8,712		8,712		55,328	69,297
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	1,759	2,142	751	874			24,563		29,734		29,734		9,919	11,564
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	4,801	3,583	1,615	1,264			59,670		73,505		73,505		20,330	21,478
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	4,780	8,137	1,102	1,724			83,423		104,288		104,288		19,757	20,618
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	11,576	10,362	3,327	2,838			81,371		148,917		148,917		25,320	40,501
Lard	Lb.	46,840	62,724	4,735	6,041			465,876		673,600		673,600		55,345	61,980
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	103,387	112,527	8,250	7,493			1,116,483		1,568,727		1,568,727		92,984	109,225
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	236	501	29,324	64,871			3,129		6,636		6,636		412,737	825,671
Apples, fresh	Lb.	5,899	2,807	408	264			112,723		177,715		177,715		9,146	14,558
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	68,296	58,154	4,811	4,430			499,396		536,540		536,540		36,425	38,552
Prunes, dried	Lb.	1,535	3,375	408	826			62,832		75,853		75,853		14,494	18,081
Raisins and currants	Lb.	1,618	2,915	427	452			44,847		82,191		82,191		11,280	13,398
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	19,214	17,323	3,087	2,699			275,957		330,653		330,653		42,969	47,004
Orange juice	Gal.	991	1,497	2,127	2,354			12,071		14,156		14,156		23,607	23,537
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	11,663	4,423	12,006	4,583			112,234		114,240		114,240		126,515	120,160
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	19,687	16,168	26,247	21,229			203,656		216,258		216,258		267,896	280,692
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	6,761	4,814	7,416	5,527			94,575		98,841		98,841		111,007	110,311
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	4,217	192	2,840	219			29,835		43,402		43,402		21,081	32,028
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	173,444	173,374	11,669	11,474			1,401,996		2,023,173		2,023,173		101,232	136,224
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	136	158	155	203			8,465		5,266		5,266		10,472	6,703
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	26,852	34,842	45,811	57,684			361,543		420,376		420,376		623,126	711,965
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	3,808	2,907	15,127	12,614			35,025		39,488		39,488		151,838	162,761
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	38	47	2,591	3,019			479		867		867		31,228	56,953
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	847	256	2,508	850			6,005		8,326		8,326		17,704	26,861
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	8,880	11,185	21,071	25,211			102,829		132,981		132,981		238,343	302,517
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	53,332	171,143	6,722	16,185			795,525		1,039,709		1,039,709		99,996	108,990
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	25,424	10,120	4,117	1,152			284,954		560,870		560,870		36,484	68,897
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	25,777	29,574	18,574	22,244			473,288		456,647		456,647		350,212	341,851
Beans, dried*	Lb.	47,953	37,016	3,786	2,810			342,685		386,092		386,092		27,356	30,504
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	9,374	13,311	636	774			152,913		211,714		211,714		9,974	13,510
Potatoes, white	Lb.	51,942	96,137	2,061	2,609			306,300		402,846		402,846		8,506	11,666
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	9,298	15,292	1,512	2,615			95,532		97,945		97,945		14,250	15,196
Other agricultural commodities				44,145	47,768								508,111	572,946	
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				304,255	351,680								3,719,355	4,527,059	
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				1,105,270	1,351,557								13,563,783	14,476,155	
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,409,525	1,703,237								17,283,138	19,003,214	

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

\* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".



IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): June 1959 and 1960 and July-June 1958-59 and 1959-60 1/

Commodity imported	Unit	June		Value		Quantity		July-June		Value	
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	dollars	dollars
SUPPLEMENTARY											
Cattle, dutiable	No.	64	37	9,203	4,019	1,059	629	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	12,395	13,103	2,318	2,648	97,996	93,398	18,463	18,463	18,463	18,463
Cheese	Lb.	5,148	4,494	2,357	2,165	59,115	61,388	27,944	27,944	27,944	27,944
Hides and skins	Lb.	21,642	15,666	8,759	7,798	183,524	160,454	72,328	72,328	72,328	72,328
Beef and veal	Lb.	56,785	43,044	20,283	15,532	527,474	593,460	188,260	188,260	188,260	188,260
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	15,705	17,329	10,284	11,392	195,930	166,019	128,507	128,507	128,507	128,507
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	6,852	3,716	1,627	756	44,962	52,623	11,712	11,712	11,712	11,712
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,223	1,400	705	1,335	15,085	14,872	11,712	11,712	11,712	11,712
Wool, unmfed., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	11,792	10,370	6,890	6,997	148,218	133,105	95,108	95,108	95,108	95,108
Cotton, unmfed., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bale	2	2	222	190	137	145	24,873	24,873	24,873	24,873
Jute and jute butts, unmfed. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	7	3	826	456	48	74	9,262	9,262	9,262	9,262
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,243	1,257	1,916	1,493	13,327	14,425	20,259	20,259	20,259	20,259
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	11,881	18,820	1,375	2,087	84,109	117,078	9,719	9,719	9,719	9,719
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	689	640	925	842	10,995	14,266	14,616	14,616	14,616	14,616
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	98	74	103	83	3,265	1,809	2,883	2,883	2,883	2,883
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	774	1,858	1,234	2,961	8,049	8,150	12,515	12,515	12,515	12,515
Feeds and fodders	Bu.	3/	3/	1,170	369	3/	3/	15,502	15,502	15,502	15,502
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	51,998	69,708	5,449	5,919	623,117	724,222	57,202	57,202	57,202	57,202
Copra	Lb.	43,677	56,582	7,927	9,405	539,806	523,967	95,997	95,997	95,997	95,997
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	3/	3/	872	537	3/	3/	12,332	12,332	12,332	12,332
Seeds, field and garden	Ton	482	461	52,339	49,934	4,598	4,695	504,653	504,653	504,653	504,653
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Gal.	25,876	40,313	2,739	2,828	309,839	367,808	35,769	35,769	35,769	35,769
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Lb.	12,671	14,783	8,979	10,562	152,038	157,066	112,328	112,328	112,328	112,328
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	430	3,160	29	320	236,824	309,328	17,592	17,592	17,592	17,592
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.	3/	3/	26,717	26,942	3/	3/	337,532	337,532	337,532	337,532
Other supplementary				180,330	173,774			2,028,930	2,028,930	2,028,930	2,028,930
Total supplementary											
COMPLEMENTARY											
Silk, raw	Lb.	432	559	1,649	2,321	5,244	6,922	18,310	18,310	18,310	18,310
Wool, unmfed., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	23,553	21,909	11,858	12,695	240,092	213,312	111,053	111,053	111,053	111,053
Bananas	Bunch	5,463	5,766	7,406	8,870	51,061	57,211	73,035	73,035	73,035	73,035
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	41,793	70,293	14,864	17,416	446,908	529,127	165,232	165,232	165,232	165,232
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	202,362	251,688	74,215	84,331	2,838,291	3,004,536	1,102,363	1,102,363	1,102,363	1,102,363
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	354	434	790	782	4,604	4,693	9,943	9,943	9,943	9,943
Tea	Lb.	8,983	9,940	4,108	4,824	108,704	116,209	50,760	50,760	50,760	50,760
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	5,747	4,998	2,657	3,328	84,516	93,119	34,538	34,538	34,538	34,538
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	5	1	2,064	586	47	29	16,249	16,249	16,249	16,249
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	11	7	1,786	1,338	123	107	18,638	18,638	18,638	18,638
Rubber, crude	Lb.	103,147	70,871	29,111	26,814	1,200,990	1,119,212	302,116	302,116	302,116	302,116
Other complementary				5,933	6,338			72,806	72,806	72,806	72,806
Total complementary				156,441	169,643			1,975,043	1,975,043	1,975,043	1,975,043
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				336,771	343,417			4,003,973	4,003,973	4,003,973	4,003,973
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				998,748	952,156			9,891,182	9,891,182	9,891,182	9,891,182
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,335,519	1,295,573			13,895,155	13,895,155	13,895,155	13,895,155

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only.

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Imports of copra increased substantially while those of coconut oil declined. Imports of copra rose from 623 million pounds in 1959 to 724 million in 1960; vegetable oils fell from 540 million to 524 million. The drop in vegetable oils was accounted for by coconut oil. Despite the desire of the Philippines to ship more coconut oil to world markets, U. S. processors preferred copra over coconut oil because of the demand for copra cake and meal on the West Coast. Although the use of coconut oil in soap manufacturing has declined somewhat in recent years, the demand for this oil for food processing and industrial uses has increased.

Imports of cotton totaled 145 thousand bales in fiscal year 1960. This amount was only slightly larger than the 137 thousand bales in the previous year. With the exception of short, harsh Asiatic cotton, imports are regulated by quotas. The long-staple quota is 95 thousand bales for an August 1-July 31 year, while the short-staple quota is 30 thousand bales on a September 20-September 19 year.

Imports of feed grains remained relatively low in 1960. Imports of barley and wheat, mostly for feed, increased slightly from 1959's low level. Less oats were imported due to the relatively short world supply. A sharp decline in imports of feeds and fodders, mainly protein meal, reflected the short supply of cottonseed in Mexico and larger U. S. production of meal.

COMPLEMENTARY IMPORTS    Lower prices stimulated imports of coffee. Imports of coffee totaled 3,005 million pounds in 1960 compared with 2,838 million a year earlier. Plentiful world supplies depressed prices and caused the value of U. S. imports to drop from \$1,102 in 1959 to \$1,048 million in 1960. The relatively low world prices encouraged importers and processors to build up stocks last year.

Decline in world prices encouraged imports of cocoa beans. Cocoa bean imports increased from 447 million pounds in 1959 to 529 million last year. However, the value fell from \$165 million to \$154 million, reflecting the plentiful world supplies at reduced prices.

Rubber imports declined as prices increased in 1960. Imports of crude natural rubber totaled 1,119 million pounds in 1960 compared with 1,201 million a year earlier.

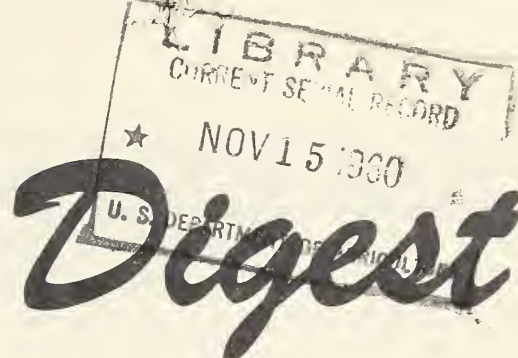


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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-August agricultural exports this fiscal year were 9 percent ahead of 1959. Export total was \$686 million in July-August 1960 compared with the \$632 million in the same period last year. Cotton was the principal item to show a substantial increase this year. Other increases occurred in wheat and soybeans. Exports of vegetable oils, feed grains, and rice fell considerably while those of animal products, tobacco, and fruits and vegetables remained close to last year's high levels.

### U. S. agricultural exports, by commodity, July-August

Commodity	1958-59	1959-60	Chg.
	Million dollars		Pct.
Cotton	26	102	+292
Grains & feeds <sup>1/</sup>	281	268	-5
Wheat & flour <sup>1/</sup>	125	147	+18
Feed grains <sup>1/2/</sup>	108	84	-22
Rice, milled <sup>1/</sup>	22	15	-32
Tobacco, unmd.	46	44	-4
Veg. oils & seeds	101	100	-1
Soybeans	36	52	+44
Ed. veg. oils <sup>3/</sup>	48	37	-23
Fruits & preps.	46	41	-11
Vegs. & preps. <sup>1/</sup>	22	21	-5
Animals & prods. <sup>1/</sup>	96	94	-2
Fats & oils	29	28	-3
Meats & prods.	19	19	0
Hides & skins	11	12	+9
Dairy products <sup>1/</sup>	27	23	-15
Other <sup>1/</sup>	14	16	+14
Total	632	686	+9

<sup>1/</sup> Includes private relief. <sup>2/</sup> Excludes products. <sup>3/</sup> Cottonseed and soybean.

August exports were somewhat above those of last year. August shipments of \$327 million in 1960 were 8 percent larger than the \$304 million of a year ago. Commodities that gained included cotton, wheat, soybeans, and vegetable oils. Exports of feed grains, rice, and tobacco were moderately below last August's levels. Shipments of vegetables, tobacco, and animal products continued close to the levels of a year ago.

**COTTON** Large quantities of cotton are moving into foreign markets. Exports of cotton totaled 0.8 million running bales in July-August 1960 compared with 0.2 million in July-August 1959. Exports of cotton a year ago were extremely low while the 1959-60 payment-in-kind program was getting underway. Prospects are for a continued high level of U. S. cotton exports in the year ending June 30, 1961 although they may be



slightly below the 6.6 million bales attained last year, when exports were at the second highest level in 26 years. Foreign production and inventories are somewhat larger this year, but foreign consumption continues at a high level and ample supplies of U. S. cotton are available at competitive prices. Cotton registered under the current season's payment-in-kind program totaled 2.7 million bales as of October 14 compared with 2.6 million last October 16.

**GRAINS** Wheat exports were up by one-sixth in July-August. Wheat and flour exports totaled 85 million bushels in July-August 1960 compared with 73 million in July-August 1959. A substantial part of the wheat exports has been moving under Title I of Public Law 480. At present, wheat exports for fiscal year 1961 are estimated at 550 million bushels, which is equal to the previous record established in fiscal year 1957. An increase of 30 to 40 million bushels is expected in exports to Europe this year, following the low-quality wheat harvest there. Exports under Government-financed programs are expected to exceed the 374 million bushels shipped last year.

Europe's large supplies of feed wheat have reduced demand for feed grains. Feed grain exports of 1,934 thousand short tons in July-August 1960 were one-fourth below the level of 2,519 thousand a year ago. Europe, which took over three-fourths of the record U. S. exports in 1959-60, has a plentiful supply of feed wheat following this summer's low-quality harvest and is likely to import about a million tons less U. S. feed grains this year. The outlook for exports to other areas is somewhat brighter because of smaller foreign production and increased foreign consumption.

Rice exports, down in July-August, are likely to be slightly smaller for the year. Exports of rice in July-August 1960 totaled 2.3 million bags compared with last year's first 2-month volume of 3.5 million. Exports for the current fiscal year as a whole are expected to be slightly below the 20.5 million bags shipped last year, the second best on record. A prospective increase in exports to Western Europe is likely to be offset by a further decline in sales to Cuba. Nearly half of total rice exports is expected to move under Title I of Public Law 480.

**TOBACCO** Tobacco exports will probably exceed last year's shipments. Exports of 58 million pounds of unmanufactured tobacco in July-August 1960 were down 6 percent from the level of a year ago. However, exports for fiscal year 1961 as a whole are expected to increase by 5 percent, reflecting the larger U. S. crop of above-average quality, stable prices for U. S. leaf, and a rise in foreign cigarette consumption.

**VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS** Continued strong foreign demand for soybeans is expected to result in another record export year. Soybean exports of 23 million bushels in July-August 1960 were one-third larger than the 15 million bushel total shipped in the same period a year ago. The continuing strong foreign demand reflects primarily the increased consumption in Japan and the increased crushing in Northern Europe for oil and meal. Shipments for fiscal year 1961 are expected to exceed last year's 133 million bushels.

Exports of vegetable oils are likely to remain high. Exports of expressed vegetable oils (~~cottonseed~~ and ~~soybean~~ oils) totaled 338 million pounds in



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

October 14

1960

A new postwar foreign outlet for U. S. tobacco has been opened in Poland as a result of a Title I Public Law 480 authorization for purchases up to \$1.5 million. Although Poland has imported no U. S. cigarette leaf since 1939, the Polish Tobacco Monopoly plans to make an American blend cigarette.

The U. S. agricultural exhibit at the IKOFA Food Fair in Munich, West Germany, September 23-October 2, was awarded a Gold Medal for excellence. The exhibit featured U. S. wheat, rice, poultry, soybeans, fruit, honey, frozen and packaged foods, and ready-prepared food mixes. Some 100 thousand samples of U. S. foods were given out in return for coupons which appeared in local newspapers.

Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced mid-September to date totaled \$51 million. Ceylon--\$5.1 million for wheat flour. Ecuador--\$1 million for edible vegetable oil. Supplemental agreements: Republic of Korea--\$870 thousand for cottonseed oil and/or soybean oil. UAR-Syria--\$1.6 million for barley. India--\$17.1 million for tobacco, corn, grain sorghums, and soybean oil. Iran--\$15.1 million for wheat or wheat flour. Pakistan--\$10.3 million for rice.

The Export-Import Bank has granted a \$3.5 million credit for 1960-61 to Austria to finance imports of U. S. cotton. Austrian spinners are expected to buy about 28,000 bales with this loan. Last year \$6 million was authorized for the same purpose.

Russian statistics indicate that the U.S.S.R. imported about 213 million pounds of tobacco in 1959, which would make it second only to the United Kingdom, the world's largest tobacco importer. Imports have been rising fast because consumption is increasing while production is lagging. Russia imports leaf from Bulgaria and Communist China in payment for Russian industrial machinery, petroleum, and manufactured goods.

U. S. exporters of baby chicks and mixed poultry feeds may benefit from France's recent extension of liberalization measures to Martinique, Guadeloupe, and French Guiana.

The 38th Annual National Agricultural Outlook Conference will be held November 14-17, 1960, at USDA in Washington, D. C.



July-August 1960 compared with 376 million for the same period a year ago. Exports this fiscal year are expected to continue near the high rate of last year and probably will approximate the record 1,601 million pounds of 1959-60.

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES** Fruit exports are likely to be down somewhat this fiscal year. July-August exports of fruits and preparations of \$41 million declined by 11 percent from 1959 to 1960. Total exports of oranges and grapefruit in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961 are expected to decline from 1960 because of high levels of competitive supplies and smaller U. S. crops. Canned and dried fruits are likely to increase slightly because of generally ample supplies available at competitive prices and trade liberalization measures in Western Europe.

Decline in vegetable exports is seen in small exportable supply of dried beans. July-August 1960 exports of vegetables and preparations totaled \$21 million, about the same as a year earlier. Major commodities were fresh and canned vegetables and dried beans and peas. While an increase is expected for fresh and canned vegetables during fiscal year 1961, the gain will probably be more than offset by a decline for dried beans resulting from reduced supplies available for export.

**ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS** A 5-percent value increase is indicated for exports of animal products this fiscal year. July-August exports of animals and animal products totaled \$94 million in 1960 compared with \$96 million in 1959. Indications are that shipments of dairy products, tallow, poultry meat, beef, pork, variety meats, and hides and skins will be somewhat larger in fiscal year 1961 than in 1960. Developments contributing to this increase are the large exportable U. S. supplies available at competitive prices, increased foreign consumption, and trade liberalization measures favoring dollar-area commodities.

#### I M P O R T     H I G H L I G H T S

Agricultural imports declined slightly during July-August. U. S. imports of agricultural commodities totaled \$650 million during July-August 1960, 3 percent below this period in 1959. The decline can be attributed to a moderate drop in supplementary commodities which more than offset the rise in imports of complementary products.

July-August supplementary imports were 8 percent below last year. Imports of supplementary (somewhat competitive) commodities totaled \$330 million this July-August compared with \$360 million during the same period last year. Major value declines were in cane sugar, 15 percent; dutiable cattle, 70 percent; vegetable oils, 15 percent; and copra, 20 percent.

Imports of complementary commodities gained slightly. Complementary (non-competitive) imports totaled \$320 million during July-August 1960, 4 percent ahead of a year ago. With the exception of crude rubber, increases were noted for all of the principal commodities.

August agricultural imports were slightly below last year. Imports of supplementary commodities declined 10 percent during the month of August while



complementary products remained relatively unchanged from a year earlier. August imports totaled \$345 million in 1960 compared with \$351 million in 1959. Principal supplementary declines were in cane sugar and dutiable cattle. While imports of coffee were 7 percent below last year, compensating complementary gains were recorded for silk, carpet wool, bananas, cocoa beans, tea, spices, and crude rubber.

Agricultural imports are supplied by relatively few countries. Although the United States imports agricultural commodities from more than 125 countries, the bulk of the trade is with 19 major countries. In fiscal year 1960 each of these 19 (see import table below) supplied over \$50 million worth of U. S. agricultural imports. In total they accounted for more than 70 percent of such imports. Shipments from the 19 countries ranged from a high of \$532 million for Brazil (principally complementary) to a low of \$57 million for Italy (mainly supplementary). During fiscal year 1960, imports increased from Brazil (mainly coffee), Philippines (sugar), Indonesia (crude rubber), Australia (beef and veal), Federation of Malaya (crude rubber), India (pepper and castor oil), and the Belgian Congo (coffee). Major declines were reported for Canada (principally dutiable cattle), Mexico (dutiable cattle, Colombia (coffee), and Argentina (meat products).

U. S. agricultural imports by country of origin, fiscal years 1959 and 1960

Country	1958-59			1959-60		
	Supple-	Comple-	Total	Supple-	Comple-	Total
	mentary	mentary		mentary	mentary	
	1/	2/		1/	2/	
Million dollars						
Brazil .....	53	465	518	46	486	532
Cuba .....	423	3	426	422	2	424
Colombia .....	3/	303	303	3/	266	266
Philippines .....	214	11	225	235	12	247
Mexico .....	144	85	229	118	68	186
Canada .....	238	3	241	181	3	184
Indonesia .....	1	100	101	1	134	135
New Zealand .....	99	28	127	95	31	126
Australia .....	78	1	79	114	3/	114
Federation of Malaya .....	3/	72	72	3/	114	114
Argentina .....	87	37	134	52	36	88
Netherlands .....	22	16	88	66	18	84
India .....	33	28	61	44	37	81
Thailand .....	6	59	65	6	61	67
Turkey .....	57	1	58	62	4	66
Belgian Congo .....	10	36	46	13	47	60
Guatemala .....	3/	57	57	3/	59	59
Ecuador .....	1	52	53	3/	58	58
Italy .....	52	4	56	52	5	57
Other .....	461	614	1,075	475	594	1,069
Total .....	2,029	1,975	4,004	1,982	2,035	4,017

1/ Supplementary imports are somewhat similar to or interchangeable with domestic products. 2/ Complementary imports are generally not competitive with domestic products. 3/ Less than \$500 thousand.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS: August 1959 and 1960 and July-August 1959 and 1960 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	August			July-August		
		Quantity	Value 2/	Value 2/	Quantity	Value 2/	Value 2/
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cheese*	Lb.	831	631	1,470	1,363	611	647
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	10,682	6,773	27,755	20,811	4,278	3,289
Dried whole milk	Lb.	1,393	1,694	3,953	4,095	2,251	2,524
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	77,347	39,666	151,976	94,741	14,601	11,688
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,123	2,034	2,287	4,003	1,417	2,068
Hides and skins 3/	No.	588	986	1,199	1,876	10,863	12,376
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	2,159	2,596	4,254	4,366	1,665	1,743
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	6,825	4,278	12,613	7,285	3,704	2,089
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	8,317	10,535	15,803	18,678	3,277	4,170
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	14,800	16,146	25,163	26,829	6,840	7,788
Lard	Lb.	39,535	51,186	97,900	94,125	9,413	9,855
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	108,152	109,764	223,167	241,508	17,137	15,741
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (running bales)	Bale	98	114	227	790	26,451	101,999
Apples, fresh	Lb.	3,228	3,035	7,121	7,876	514	671
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	45,013	34,126	105,989	83,106	7,618	6,283
Prunes, dried	Lb.	919	3,576	2,189	7,769	579	1,927
Raisins and currants	Lb.	2,403	7,903	3,959	10,768	929	1,499
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	62,385	38,450	84,229	54,953	12,254	7,629
Orange juice	Gal.	819	1,095	1,641	2,148	3,366	3,742
Berley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	14,629	5,769	28,573	11,486	28,275	11,774
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	15,854	20,025	38,326	35,906	50,211	46,226
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	12,460	10,369	20,551	20,056	22,081	22,050
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	6,185	3,731	15,311	5,722	10,069	4,236
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	205,980	75,142	348,995	227,671	22,070	15,422
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	590	154	1,023	1,161	1,261	1,157
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	27,110	34,579	61,091	72,150	106,094	122,981
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	2,557	3,051	5,008	5,435	22,194	23,814
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	49	59	94	97	6,216	6,076
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	1,030	231	3,379	859	10,490	2,734
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	5,222	13,781	15,072	22,991	35,502	52,909
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	102,738	195,669	258,124	276,251	29,679	30,098
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	51,027	33,907	117,441	61,743	18,513	7,818
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	38,865	37,771	61,935	58,331	46,025	44,226
Beans, dried*	Lb.	40,801	37,806	93,263	61,064	7,163	4,570
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	17,458	15,173	22,617	26,144	1,369	1,432
Potatoes, white	Lb.	33,118	11,535	58,390	59,433	1,685	1,531
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	6,375	9,705	14,470	19,770	2,278	3,067
Other agricultural commodities						83,289	85,854
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES						632,232	685,703
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES						2,205,839	2,589,200
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES						2,838,071	3,274,903

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

\* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): August 1959 and 1960 and July-August 1959 and 1960 1/

Commodity Imported	Unit:	August				July-August			
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
		Quantity	Quantity	Value	Value	Quantity	Quantity	Value	Value
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
SUPPLEMENTARY									
Cattle, dutiable	No.	22	9	3,014	1,333	67	21	9,359	2,842
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	5,721	6,431	1,076	1,239	13,697	14,665	2,634	2,820
Cheese	Lb.	3,614	4,382	1,828	2,297	7,520	7,812	3,813	4,017
Hides and skins	Lb.	10,373	9,408	5,299	4,656	26,130	23,841	12,399	10,487
Beef and veal, total 2/	Lb.	70,218	70,735	25,408	25,618	128,649	122,453	46,207	44,338
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	11,885	13,227	7,249	8,610	27,563	28,811	17,708	19,066
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	2,893	5,853	671	1,413	9,668	12,336	2,125	2,902
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,254	1,368	849	1,150	2,756	2,639	1,937	2,175
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	9,838	44,730	6,437	7,861	19,413	51,730	12,440	12,816
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bale	98	90	16,192	16,965	99	91	16,279	17,047
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	3	1	292	141	8	3	1,135	430
Olives in brine	Gal.	830	1,388	1,314	1,662	2,010	2,762	3,142	3,270
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	13,438	15,266	1,585	1,765	23,318	28,704	2,798	3,309
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	905	714	1,299	865	1,551	1,224	2,151	1,542
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	216	102	187	100	313	175	277	182
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	127	271	246	466	478	492	783	816
Feeds and fodders		3/	3/	448	357	3/	3/	1,236	696
Nuts and preparations		3/	3/	6,518	5,795	3/	3/	12,825	11,495
Copra	Lb.	67,012	49,168	6,405	3,688	122,744	132,359	12,535	10,315
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	39,167	35,756	7,260	6,062	87,621	77,519	15,906	13,320
Seeds, field and garden		3/	3/	1,374	628	3/	3/	2,425	1,144
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Ton	437	354	48,277	39,542	962	804	106,329	89,539
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Gal.	24,838	44,543	2,552	4,016	53,566	94,396	5,432	8,041
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	13,324	14,919	9,660	11,396	26,805	26,244	19,710	19,451
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.	804	1,697	58	123	2,078	2,703	147	181
Other supplementary				23,149	24,763			48,021	48,568
Total supplementary				178,647	172,511			359,753	330,809
COMPLEMENTARY									
Silk, raw	Lb.	628	938	2,329	3,945	943	1,497	3,502	6,284
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	15,523	16,850	8,289	9,401	33,457	35,099	17,528	19,916
Bananas	Bunch	3,937	4,943	5,368	6,506	8,798	9,088	11,876	12,442
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	28,446	45,090	9,418	11,628	56,655	86,929	18,794	22,309
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	286,296	268,939	99,337	91,815	452,985	487,155	161,047	169,859
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	320	574	558	1,007	555	711	1,050	1,246
Tea	Lb.	8,228	9,132	3,743	4,185	17,924	17,716	7,968	8,226
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	7,000	5,345	2,823	3,376	12,437	8,997	4,934	6,033
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	2	1	1,185	481	6	2	2,706	1,166
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	11	8	1,771	1,618	19	15	3,099	3,069
Rubber, crude	Lb.	101,548	88,697	32,003	32,745	208,008	152,659	64,019	57,718
Other complementary				5,842	5,552			12,103	11,419
Total complementary				172,666	172,259			308,632	319,687
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				351,313	344,770			668,385	650,496
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				839,359	900,567			1,758,382	1,739,677
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,190,672	1,245,337			2,426,767	2,390,173

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only.

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): July 1959 and 1960 1/

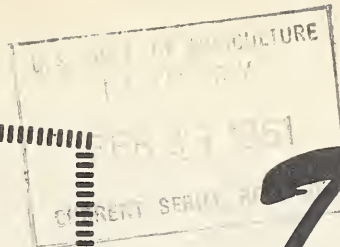
Commodity imported	Unit:	Quantity		Value	
		1959	1960	1959	1960
SUPPLEMENTARY					
Cattle, dutiable .....	:No.	46	12	1,000	1,000
Casein or lactarene .....	:Lb.	7,976	8,234	6,345	1,509
Cheese .....	:Lb.	3,906	3,430	1,558	1,581
Hides and skins .....	:Lb.	15,757	14,433	1,984	1,720
Beef and veal, total 2/ .....	:Lb.	58,432	51,718	7,100	5,831
Pork, total 2/ .....	:Lb.	15,678	15,584	20,799	18,720
Mutton, goat & lamb, fresh or frozen 2/ .....	:Lb.	6,774	6,483	10,458	10,456
Sausage casings .....	:Lb.	1,502	1,271	1,454	1,489
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc.	:Lb.	9,574	7,001	1,088	1,025
(actual weight) .....	:Lb.	9,574	7,001	6,003	4,955
Cotton, unmd., ex. lintens (480 lb.)	:Bale:	1	1	87	82
Jute & jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.)	:Ton	5	2	843	289
Olives in brine .....	:Gal.:	1,180	1,374	1,828	1,609
Pineapples, canned, prep. or pres. ..	:Lb.	9,881	13,438	1,213	1,544
Barley, grain (48 lb.) .....	:Bu.	646	510	852	678
Oats, grain (32 lb.) .....	:Bu.	97	73	90	82
Wheat, grain (60 lb.) .....	:Bu.	351	221	537	350
Feeds and fodders .....	:Bu.	3/	3/	787	338
Nuts and preparations .....	:Lb.	55,732	83,191	6,307	5,700
Copra .....	:Lb.	48,454	41,763	6,130	6,628
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, exp.	:Lb.	3/	3/	8,646	7,258
Seeds, field and garden .....	:Lb.	525	450	1,051	516
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.) .....	:Ton	28,728	49,852	58,052	49,997
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	:Gal.:	13,481	11,325	2,880	4,025
Tobacco, unmanufactured .....	:Lb.	1,274	1,005	10,050	8,054
Tomatoes, natural state .....	:Lb.	1,274	1,005	88	59
Other supplementary .....	:Lb.	1,274	1,005	24,876	23,803
Total supplementary .....	:Lb.	1,274	1,005	24,876	23,803
COMPLEMENTARY					
Silk, raw .....	:Lb.	315	559	1,173	2,339
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight) .....	:Lb.	17,934	18,249	9,239	10,515
Bananas .....	:Bch.	4,861	4,145	6,508	5,936
Cocoa or cacao beans .....	:Lb.	28,209	41,839	9,376	10,681
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico) .....	:Lb.	166,689	218,217	61,709	78,044
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc. ..	:Lb.	235	137	492	239
Tea .....	:Lb.	9,696	8,584	4,225	4,040
Spices (complementary) .....	:Lb.	5,437	3,653	2,110	2,657
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.) .....	:Ton	4	1	1,521	685
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.) .....	:Ton	8	7	1,328	1,451
Rubber, crude .....	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	32,016	24,973
Other complementary .....	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	6,269	5,868
Total complementary .....	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	135,966	147,428
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES .	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	317,072	305,726
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMM. ....	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	919,023	839,110
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES .....	:Lb.	106,460	63,962	1,236,095	1,144,836
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## EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

July-September agricultural exports in 1960-61 were 6 percent ahead of 1959-60. Exports of U. S. agricultural products in July-September totaled \$1,055 million in fiscal year 1960-61 compared with \$994 million in the previous year. Substantial gains occurred in cotton, wheat and flour, and soybeans. Exports of fruits were slightly above the level in 1959-60. These increases were somewhat offset by declines in feed grains, animal products, vegetable oils, rice, tobacco, and vegetables.

U. S. agricultural exports,  
by commodity, July-September

Commodity	1959-60	1960-61	Chg.
	Million dollars	Pct.	
Cotton	52	128	+146
Grains & feeds 1/	407	425	+4
Wheat & flour 1/	191	246	+29
Feed grains 1/ 2/	154	126	-18
Rice, milled 1/	29	21	-28
Tobacco, unmf.	116	110	-5
Veg. oils & seeds	141	128	-9
Soybeans	51	72	+41
Ed. veg. oils 3/	66	43	-35
Fruits & preps.	67	71	+6
Vegs. & preps. 1/	34	31	-9
Animals & prods. 1/	151	139	-8
Fats & oils	44	40	-9
Meats & prods.	29	33	+14
Hides & skins	16	17	+6
Dairy products 1/	44	31	-30
Other 1/	26	23	-12
Total	994	1,055	+6

1/ Includes private relief. 2/ Excludes products. 3/ Cottonseed and soybean.

September agricultural exports were slightly above those of a year ago. Exports of \$369 million in September of 1960-61 were 2 percent above shipments of \$361 million in the same month a year earlier. There were increases in wheat including flour and in soybeans. Exports of feed grains, tobacco, rice, vegetable oils, and animal products were moderately below last September's levels. Cotton, fruits, and vegetables remained at about the same levels of a year earlier.

Indications are that fiscal year 1960-61 will be a good one for agricultural exports. They are expected to total \$4.5 billion, which is equal to the second highest figure on record attained last year. The alltime record in value was \$4.7 billion in



1956-57. Quantity is likely to equal or exceed last year's record volume shipments. More wheat and flour, soybeans, tobacco, and animal products are expected to be exported while a reduction is likely for feed grains, rice, fruits, and vegetables. About as much cotton and vegetable oils are expected to move out this year as last year when the export volume was unusually heavy.

Exports to the 3 largest dollar markets in July-September increased by 16 percent. July-September exports to the 3 principal foreign dollar markets for U. S. agricultural products--the United Kingdom, Canada, and Japan--increased from \$274 million in fiscal year 1959-60 to \$318 million in 1960-61. This \$44 million gain accounted for nearly three-fourths of the total rise of \$61 million for agricultural exports this year. The largest single country gain was the \$46 million increase to India, mostly under the Title I of Public Law 480 (foreign currency sales). Other increases occurred in exports to Italy, Belgium, Spain, Pakistan, France, and Denmark. Declines were registered in exports to West Germany, Poland, Venezuela, Cuba, Yugoslavia, Brazil, UAR-Egypt, and Mexico.

**COTTON** Exports of cotton this July-September doubled those of the same period in 1959-60. Cotton exports in July-September this year totaled 1 million bales compared with 0.5 million in the like period of 1959-60. Exports in the first quarter last fiscal year were extremely low while the payment-in-kind program was getting underway. Exports in this fiscal year may exceed the 6.6 million bales moved in 1959-60. The continu-

U. S. agricultural exports by country of destination, July-September			
Country	:1959-60:1960-61:		Chg.
	Million dollars	Pct.	
United Kingdom	124	130	+5
Canada	89	102	+15
Japan	61	86	+44
India	38	84	+121
Netherlands	78	78	0
West Germany	73	64	-12
Italy	34	38	+12
Belgium	28	31	+11
Spain	24	31	+29
Poland	33	29	-12
Pakistan	9	27	+200
Venezuela	25	24	-4
Cuba	31	19	-39
Yugoslavia	19	16	-16
Brazil	21	16	-24
France	9	15	+67
UAR-Egypt	16	15	-6
Denmark	11	14	+27
Mexico	15	14	-7
Other	256	222	-13
Total	994	1,055	+6

ing high level of foreign consumption, the low level of old-crop stocks in foreign exporting countries, and the ample supplies of U. S. cotton available at competitive prices are helping most to maintain exports this year. Cotton registered under the current season's payment-in-kind program totaled 3.8 million bales as of November 11 compared with 3.6 million November 20 a year ago.

**GRAINS** Wheat and flour exports in the July-September quarter this year were nearly one-third ahead of 1959-60. Exports of wheat and flour totaled 142 million bushels in July-September of 1960-61 compared with 108 million in the same period of 1959-60. More than half of the wheat exports this year were under Title I of Public Law 480, principally to India, Pakistan, and Poland. For the year as a whole, exports are expected to equal the previous



# TRADE NEWS ROUNDUP

November

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Higher wheat import requirements of Western Europe are expected to contribute significantly to the expected rise of 75 million bushels in the 1960-61 world wheat trade estimated at nearly 1,400 million bushels. Heavy rains at harvest time lowered the quality of wheat in Northern Europe, and as a result considerable quantities are suitable only for feed. Smaller wheat crops in Italy and Spain are also contributing to larger import needs. The United States is likely to furnish over half of Europe's increased import requirements this year. Some parts of Asia had larger crops, but India and Pakistan continue to have their usual large import requirements.

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Recent livestock sales in Italy have demonstrated the ready market there for animals bred from U. S. bulls. Twenty head of under-1-year-old U. S.-sired bulls were sold this September at the Cremona (Italy) International Livestock Show at prices averaging \$800 a head.

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The recent purchase of 7,000 tons of U. S. wheat by a new flour mill in Angola was a direct result of an on-the-spot market development survey and promises to give the United States a dominant place in the country's wheat market. Before the mill was built, the United States was a major exporter of wheat flour to Angola.

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The highly successful campaign to sell more U. S. tallow to Japan is in its third year. Tallow and grease exports have risen from 205 million pounds in 1955 to an estimated 340 million in 1960, a gain of 66 percent. Indications are that Japan could replace Italy as the No. 1 U. S. foreign market for tallow and greases although the Netherlands also is a strong contender for first place. U. S. tallow and greases are currently among the least expensive fats entering world trade.

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The Tariff Commission has scheduled public hearings February 7 and 8 in Washington, D. C. to determine if cantaloupes and watermelons, respectively, are being imported in such increased amounts because of concessions granted under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade as to cause or threaten serious injury to the U. S. industry. "Escape clause" action is provided by law in the event such concessions are injurious.

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Title I Public Law 480 agreements announced since mid-October: Viet Nam--\$7.5 million for wheat flour and cotton. France--\$2.5 million for tobacco. Indonesia--\$16 million for rice, cotton, and tobacco. Greece--\$13.7 million for wheat, feed grains, and vegetable oils. Chile--\$28.9 million for wheat, feed grains, cotton, edible vegetable oil, and tobacco. Supplemental agreements were announced with Uruguay--\$3.2 million for corn and Iran--\$1.2 million for cottonseed oil or soybean oil.



record of 549 million in 1956-57 and to be well above the 512 million bushels shipped last year. A substantial increase is expected in dollar exports to Western Europe which had a poor quality harvest in the past season. Italy and Spain, wheat exporters in recent years, have to import this season, and the United States will supply a sizable part of their requirements. Shipments under Government-financed programs are also likely to increase slightly. In the Near East, continuing drought during the past season has increased the import needs of that area. India and Pakistan are expected to require larger quantities this year. In addition to the increased demand in foreign importing countries, lower wheat availabilities in a number of minor exporting countries also will contribute to larger U. S. shipments.

Rice exports lagged in the first quarter of fiscal year 1960-61. Milled rice exports this July-September totaled 3.1 million bags compared with 4.4 million in July-September of 1959-60. Over two-fifths of the decline represented smaller shipments to Cuba. Total exports of rice in fiscal year 1960-61 as a whole are expected to be slightly below the 20.5 million bags exported last year, the second best on record. A sharp decline is expected in shipments to Cuba while Western Europe and Asia will take considerably more.

First quarter feed grain exports to Western Europe fell substantially this year. Exports of feed grains in July-September this year totaled 2.9 million short tons compared with 3.5 million tons in the same quarter of 1959-60. Western Europe took 0.7 million short tons less this year than last. The downturn in U. S. exports is expected to continue for several months. Larger production of corn and other feed grains in many importing countries and the use of low-quality wheat for feed in Western Europe have lessened foreign requirements this year.

TOBACCO July-September tobacco exports this year were below those in 1959-60. Unmanufactured tobacco exports this July-September of 141 million pounds were 10 percent below the 156 million pounds in the same months of 1959-60, when exports were unusually heavy in anticipation of a dock strike. Total exports this fiscal year are expected to be about 5 percent above the 457 million pounds moved last year. The expected increase reflects the larger U. S. crop of above-average export quality, stable prices for U. S. leaf, and a rise in foreign cigarette consumption.

VEGETABLE OILS AND OILSEEDS More soybeans are continuing to move into foreign markets. Exports of soybeans in July-September of 1960-61 totaled 31 million bushels compared with 22 million in July-September of 1959-60. Demand for U. S. soybeans in Japan and Western Europe continues high. Japan's consumption of soybeans has increased appreciably, and Western Europe has been crushing more beans for meal and oil. Total exports in fiscal year 1960-61 are expected to exceed last year's record of 133 million bushels.

Vegetable oil exports this year were below those in 1959-60. Exports of cottonseed and soybean oils in July-September this year totaled 383 million pounds compared with 528 million in the same quarter of 1959-60. However, increased foreign consumption without an accompanying rise in foreign production is expected to result in record exports of U. S. vegetable oils in fiscal year 1960-61.



FRUITS AND VEGETABLES      Fruit exports gained while vegetable exports declined this year.  
July-September 1960-61 exports of fruits and preparations totaled \$71 million, 6 percent more than a year ago, and those of vegetables and preparations totaled \$31 million, 9 percent less than in July-September 1959-60. The increase in fruit exports reflected the ample U. S. supplies of dried fruits available for export and less foreign competition this year. Smaller exports of dry beans accounted for most of the decline in the vegetable group.

ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS      Exports of animal products were down slightly. July-September 1960-61 exports of animals and animal products, including USDA donations, totaled \$139 million, 8 percent less than the \$151 million in the first quarter of 1959-60. Exports of tallow, lard, and dairy products fell somewhat while those of meats and hides and skins gained.

#### I M P O R T      H I G H L I G H T S

Agricultural imports during the first quarter of fiscal year 1960-61 were well below the level attained last year. July-September imports of agricultural commodities totaled \$961 million this year, 12 percent below those in July-September 1959-60. Declines occurred in both supplementary and complementary commodities.

July-September supplementary agricultural imports totaled \$482 million this year, \$69 million below a year ago. All of the major commodities either declined or showed relatively little change during the first quarter this year. Cane sugar and beef and veal imports accounted for the major part of the decline in supplementary takings.

Complementary agricultural imports totaled \$478 million during July-September 1960-61, 11 percent below this period last year. Imports of complementary commodities, which were slightly ahead during the first 2 months of the fiscal year, dropped off sharply during September, accounting for the lower July-September total. Decreased coffee and crude rubber imports contributed most to the lowering of the complementary total.

July-September coffee imports this year were smaller compared with the same period last year because the then-threatening dock strike encouraged a buildup in domestic stocks. This year, with domestic stocks at normal levels and abundant supplies available abroad, roasters have been hesitant to increase their importations. Sugar imports, which have recently undergone a change in their source of supply, are lagging behind last year although they are expected to pick up and may exceed the level recorded in 1959-60.

Imports of agricultural commodities declined sharply during September. Agricultural imports totaled \$310 million this September, 26 percent below a year ago. Both supplementary and complementary commodities showed lower totals, 21 percent and 30 percent, respectively, below the previous year. Major declines were in coffee, cane sugar, crude rubber, and beef and veal, with most other commodities remaining unchanged or showing a lower total.

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NOTE: In the table on page 1 of the October DIGEST, 1958-59 and 1959-60 should read 1959-60 and 1960-61, respectively.



## DOMESTIC EXPORTS: September 1959 and 1960 and July-September 1959 and 1960 1/

Commodity exported	Unit:	September				July-September			
		Quantity		Value 2/		Quantity		Value 2/	
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cheese*	Lb.	621	636	287	322	2,090	2,000	898	969
Evaporated milk*	Lb.	9,275	6,237	1,473	1,002	37,029	27,048	5,751	4,290
Dried whole milk	Lb.	2,798	1,734	1,571	1,009	6,752	5,830	3,822	3,533
Nonfat dry milk*	Lb.	68,153	27,824	7,515	3,757	220,130	122,565	22,116	15,445
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	1,188	1,829	657	992	3,475	5,832	2,074	3,060
Hides and skins 3/	No.	530	863	4,834	5,042	1,730	2,739	15,698	17,418
Beef and veal, total 4/	Lb.	2,729	2,756	989	1,068	6,983	7,121	2,654	2,811
Pork, total 4/	Lb.	6,546	7,103	1,816	1,908	19,159	14,388	5,520	3,997
Variety meats 5/	Lb.	8,711	11,373	1,863	2,357	24,514	30,051	5,140	6,527
Poultry, canned, fresh or frozen 4/	Lb.	15,188	22,279	4,378	6,548	40,351	49,108	11,219	14,336
Lard	Lb.	57,279	42,319	5,219	4,513	155,179	136,444	14,632	14,368
Tallow, edible and inedible	Lb.	121,755	92,260	8,973	6,016	344,922	333,769	26,111	21,757
Cotton, unmd., excl. linters (running bales)	Bale	230	193	25,601	25,855	457	983	52,053	127,854
Apples, fresh	Lb.	11,599	11,014	963	979	18,720	18,889	1,477	1,650
Oranges and tangerines, fresh	Lb.	34,636	22,029	2,559	1,844	140,625	105,134	10,177	8,127
Prunes, dried	Lb.	2,697	6,994	649	1,782	4,886	14,763	1,229	3,708
Raisins and currants	Lb.	5,070	27,670	1,019	3,393	9,029	38,439	1,948	4,892
Fruits, canned 6/	Lb.	45,412	79,217	5,986	10,540	129,641	134,170	18,240	18,169
Orange juice	Gal.	839	1,011	1,586	1,586	2,480	3,159	5,150	5,329
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	11,254	9,394	11,606	9,767	39,827	20,879	39,881	21,541
Corn, grain (56 lb.)*	Bu.	15,762	13,624	20,720	17,432	54,088	49,530	70,931	63,659
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	8,846	9,920	9,854	10,666	29,397	29,976	31,935	32,716
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	2,261	5,297	1,485	3,857	17,572	11,020	11,535	8,093
Rice, milled, excludes paddy*	Lb.	90,701	80,319	6,471	5,172	439,696	307,990	28,541	20,594
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	467	491	544	515	1,490	1,652	1,805	1,672
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)*	Bu.	27,737	48,550	48,188	83,997	88,828	120,701	154,282	206,978
Flour, wholly of U. S. wheat (100 lb.)*	Bag	3,374	3,513	14,218	14,921	8,382	8,948	36,413	38,735
Oil cake and oil-cake meal (2,000 lb.)	Ton	68	68	4,330	4,167	162	165	10,546	10,243
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	1,346	123	4,381	387	4,724	982	14,871	3,121
Soybeans, except canned (60 lb.)	Bu.	6,714	8,164	15,495	18,617	21,786	31,155	50,997	71,526
Soybean oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	135,406	30,325	14,992	3,615	393,531	306,576	44,671	33,712
Cottonseed oil, crude, refined, etc.	Lb.	16,654	14,795	2,620	1,767	134,095	76,538	21,132	9,585
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	93,654	82,922	70,288	66,234	155,589	141,253	116,312	110,460
Beans, dried*	Lb.	33,952	33,446	2,769	2,540	127,215	94,421	9,932	7,110
Peas, dried (except cowpeas and chickpeas)	Lb.	29,028	20,286	2,009	1,470	51,645	46,430	3,378	2,903
Potatoes, white	Lb.	23,157	7,369	611	247	81,547	66,802	2,296	1,778
Vegetables, canned 6/	Lb.	8,205	8,671	1,230	1,205	22,675	28,440	3,508	4,272
Other agricultural commodities				51,377	42,354			134,661	128,209
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				361,324	369,443			993,556	1,055,147
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES				1,102,879	1,224,977			3,308,719	3,814,177
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES				1,464,203	1,594,420			4,302,275	4,869,324

1/ Preliminary. 2/ At place of export. 3/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins", reported in value only. 4/ Product weight. 5/ Includes beef and pork livers, beef tongues, and other variety meats, fresh or frozen. Product weight. 6/ Includes only classes shown separately in Table 2 of the monthly "Foreign Agricultural Trade".

\* Includes "Food exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies".

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IMPORTS (FOR CONSUMPTION): September 1959 and 1960 and July-September 1959 and 1960 1/

Commodity imported	Unit:	September			July-September		
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
			dollars		dollars		dollars
							dollars
SUPPLEMENTARY							
Cattle, dutiable	No.	22	5,131	9	2,623	1,000	1,000
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	8,517	1,630		976	19,796	11,983
Cheese	Lb.	6,724	5,045		2,611	4,264	3,795
Hides and skins	Lb.	18,448	8,815		3,533	12,857	6,628
Beef and veal, total 2/	Lb.	88,618	48,636		8,994	44,579	21,393
Pork, total 2/	Lb.	12,101	12,568		31,011	171,088	61,317
Mutton, goat and lamb, fresh or frozen 2/	Lb.	4,193	2,209		8,003	41,379	27,826
Sausage casings	Lb.	1,166	1,496		963	13,861	3,454
Wool, unmd., excl. free, etc. (actual weight)	Lb.	9,842	6,269		945	4,135	3,286
Cotton, unmd., excl. lintners (480 lb.)	Bale	24	22		7,862	20,302	17,415
Jute and jute butts, unmd. (2,240 lb.)	Ton	4	4/		3,134	19,413	19,846
Olives in brine	Gal.	1,017	1,408		391	1,526	498
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	9,317	7,298		1,484	4,626	4,942
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	1,292	204		1,144	3,942	4,143
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	144	127		1,721	3,872	1,821
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	538	391		135	412	299
Feeds and feeders	Bu.	3/	3/		916	1,699	1,509
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	61,588	75,442		451	1,686	959
Copra	Lb.	47,331	51,599		7,419	20,244	18,131
Vegetable oils, fats, and waxes, expressed	Lb.	3/	3/		5,394	17,930	15,772
Seeds, field and garden	Ton	461	367		8,071	23,977	20,841
Sugar, cane (2,000 lb.)	Gal.	24,821	36,992		7,522	3,984	1,793
Molasses, unfit for human consumption	Lb.	11,656	13,335		649	157,274	130,860
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	310	1,442		50,945	8,164	11,147
Tomatoes, natural state	Lb.				2,731	28,282	29,358
Other supplementary	Lb.				8,572	165	310
Total supplementary					18	79,707	77,744
COMPLEMENTARY							
Silk, raw	Lb.	1,022	616		31,689	551,080	482,295
Wool, unmd., free in bond (actual weight)	Lb.	23,530	17,654		191,337		
Bananas	Bunch	4,085	4,395		3,891	7,393	8,953
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	41,651	39,453		12,828	30,356	29,347
Coffee (incl. into Puerto Rico)	Lb.	402,714	259,700		5,929	17,804	18,364
Coffee essences, substitutes, etc.	Lb.	381	297		9,795	33,156	32,104
Tea	Lb.	7,264	9,132		87,510	297,969	257,370
Spices (complementary)	Lb.	7,911	5,268		542	1,695	1,788
Abaca or Manila (2,240 lb.)	Ton	3	1		4,745	11,401	12,971
Sisal and henequen (2,240 lb.)	Ton	12	7		2,629	7,940	8,662
Rubber, crude	Lb.	106,977	71,351		445	3,784	1,610
Other complementary	Lb.				1,827	4,926	4,530
Total complementary					35,014	99,034	83,299
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES					7,983	21,055	19,403
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES					227,881	536,513	478,401
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES					419,218	1,087,603	960,696
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES					929,457	2,687,839	2,588,601
TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES					1,348,675	3,775,442	3,549,297

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Product weight. 3/ Reported in value only. 4/ Less than 500.

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